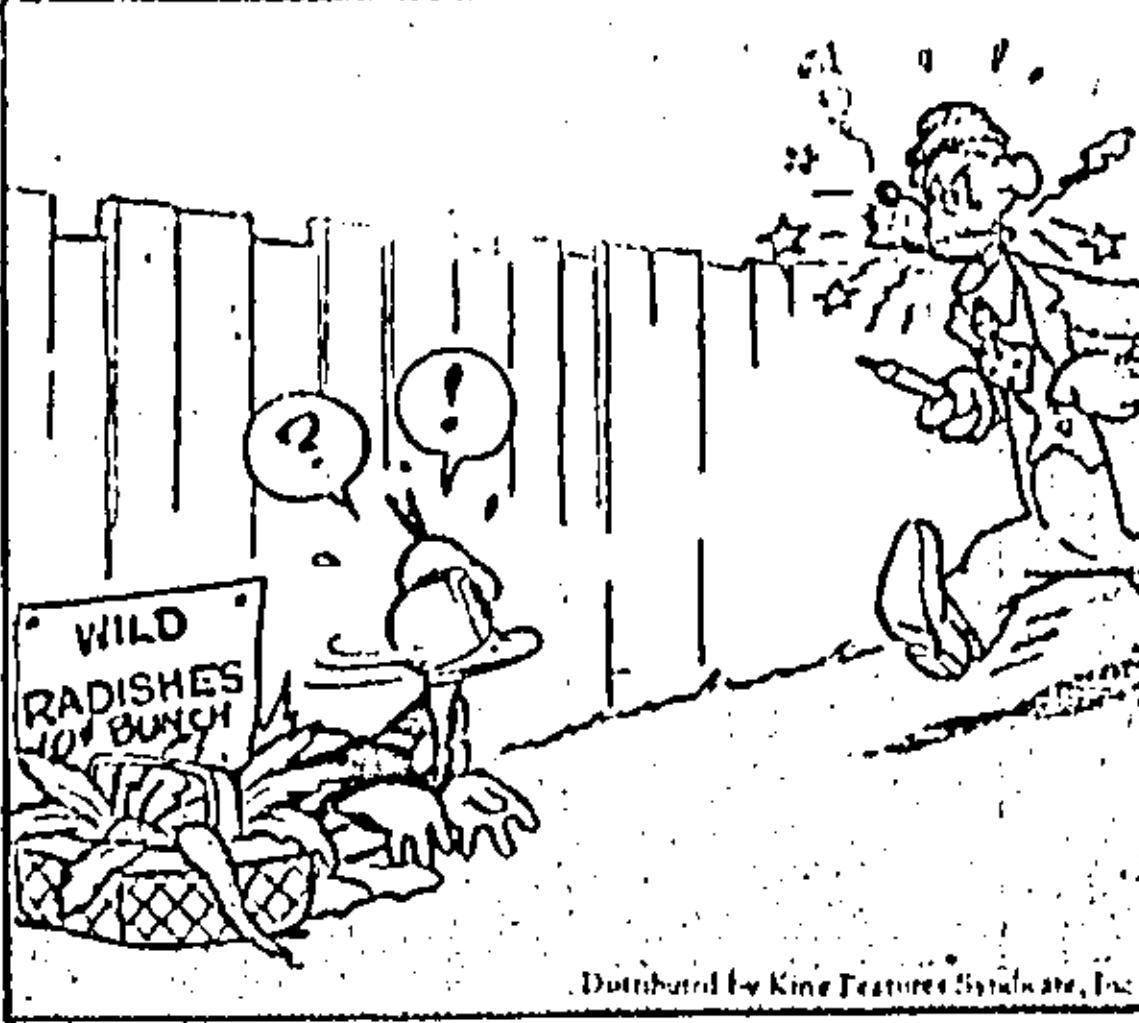
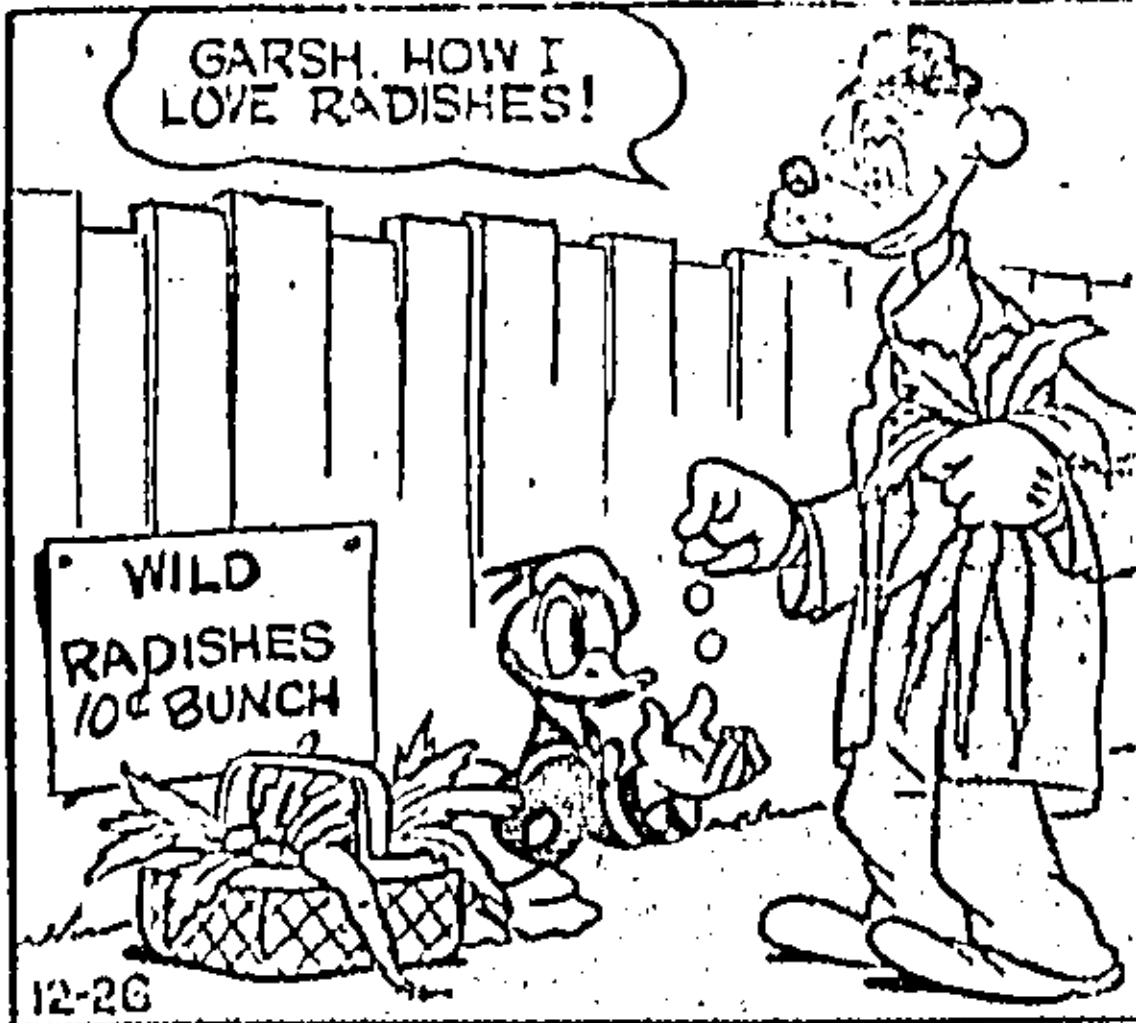
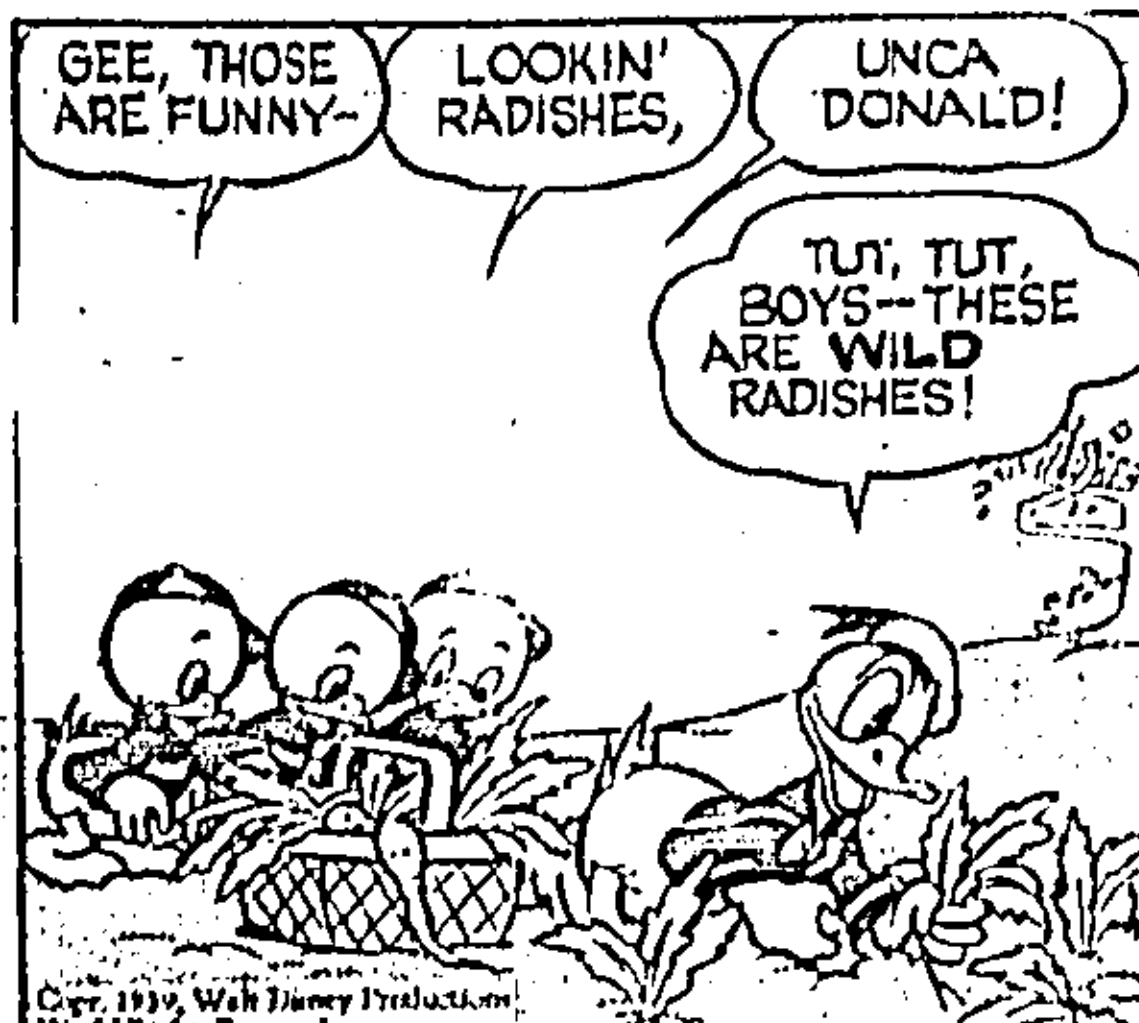


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Donkey Joins Up Again

ROYAL Joey, a donkey, aged thirty-seven, which was "knighted" by King George V after the last war for raising comfort funds for the troops, is staging a come-back this winter.

Joey, owned by Mr. Richard Stacey, of Denmark-street, Maldenhead, Berks, has raised hundreds of pounds for charities and hospitals by giving penny rides to kiddies.

Now he is going to sacrifice part of his winter rest to give more rides. The proceeds will help to make life brighter for the L.E.F.

At the end of the Great War, King George asked to see Old Joey—he was then called—and Stacey was asked to take him to Windsor Castle.

The King patted the donkey's head with a sword, and Old Joey became Royal Joey.

"Joey and I are great pals, and we have walked thousands of miles together," Mr. Stacey, an ex-soldier, aged seventy-four, said.

Likes His Beer

"He was only twelve hours old when I first had him. I brought him up on the bottle. King George said he was one of the prettiest animals he had seen."

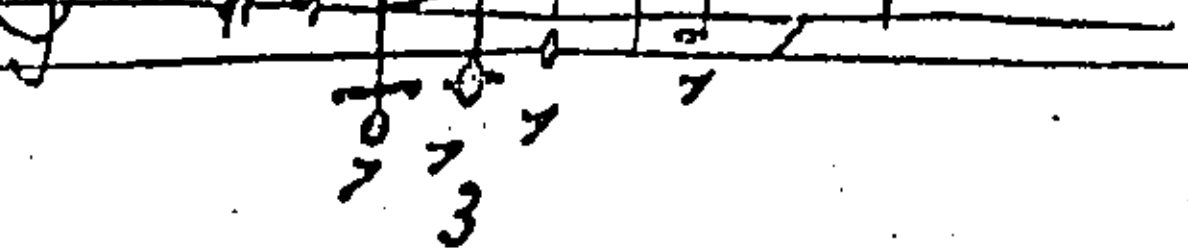
"Joey has proven out of milk. He likes a half-pint of beer. No he doesn't smoke, but he likes chewing tobacco."

NEW C. IN C. OF U.S. FLEET



Admiral James O. Richardson, new Commander-in-Chief of the United States fleet, who will raise his four-star red pennant on battleship Pennsylvania.

CENSORS OFFER TO GIVE THEIR BLOOD SOS—AND LIFE IS SAVED



This Man Makes Music Out Of Morse

AN American composer has made a piano concerto out of the Morse code. He wants Sir Thomas Beecham to conduct it in London.

The composer is the pianist, Walter Rummel, whose grandfather invented the Morse code nearly one hundred years ago.

Rummel, who came from Portugal recently gave a recital at the Cambridge Theatre. Mr. Rummel told me that his voice concerto has as its main theme the rhythm of the distress signal—S O S.

"The theme, based on the rhythm of three dots, three dashes, and three dots, runs through the work, culminating in a triumphal climax of thanksgiving."

"I want to give the first performance of the concerto in America next year, and I want to persuade Sir Thomas Beecham to give the work in London sometime soon."

Walter Rummel is now busy organizing an international scheme

A PATIENT'S life has been saved by members of the staff of the Ministry of Information.

It was disclosed that censors, Sea Cadets and women Post Office employees answered an S O S to the Ministry for volunteers to give blood transfusions.

The volunteers have now received a letter from the patient's wife, through the Ministry, thanking them for their services.

Appeal Posted Up

They were told that because of the transfusion the patient had been able to undergo a vital operation.

This had proved successful, and he was making good progress.

The patient is a steward at London University, and the appeal for blood was posted at the Ministry.

Among the volunteers were two censors, three Navy League Sea Cadets employed as messengers in the Press Bureau, an aircraftman from the Air Affairs Section, and two women Post Office employees.

Back To Duty

They were taken to Middlesex Hospital, where six were selected as suitable.

One of them is Donald Glantz, a Sea Cadet, who lives at Clinsland House, Dudley-street, Lambeth, S.E.

He gave a pint of blood, and immediately returned to the Ministry to report for duty.

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He Had A Role In All These Dramas

Do you remember those headlines? There is one man who does, because he played a part in all the cases. He is Mr. Ingelby Oddie, barrister, Counselor for Central London, who has held his last tapers.

On his twentieth birthday, he ended a round of his job and gave me a letter. "I'd like to have gone on to the law, but I had to have plenty of sleep. I had to have plenty of sleep. I had to have plenty of sleep."

Mr. Oddie is a Bachelor of Medicine and Master of Surgery, as well as a barrister.

It was his junior counsel to Sir R. D. Maude, then senior counsel to the Treasury, that he took part in the prosecution of Crippen and Sturt Morrison.

Front Page Cases

Morrison was sentenced to death after a reprieve and was hanged in 1911.

Here are some of the front page dramas, part of which have been played out in Mr. Oddie's court:

Death of Billie Carteron, beautiful actress, who died from an overdose of drugs—1915.

Assassination of Sir Henry Wilson by Sinn Feiners—1922.

Millicent Princess Ali Fahmy, shot dead in a West End hotel—Mrs. Fahmy, his bride of six months, was acquitted of murder—1927.

Murder of Norah Upchurch, found strangled in a Shaftesbury-avenue shop—1931.

Vera Page murder inquest—1932.

It was Mr. Oddie who conducted the inquest on ten people drowned when the Thames Embankment burst in 1928, and that on the victims of the R 101 airship disaster in 1931.

No Wasted Time

He has always been speedy in handling inquiries, even the most intricate.

Where some coroners would spend hours in trying to disentangle facts, Mr. Oddie would get to the heart of problems with a series of shrewd questions.

Mr. Oddie was born at Pateley Bridge, near Harrogate, Yorkshire. He was a surgeon in the Navy from 1902 until 1905.

Majesties Return To London

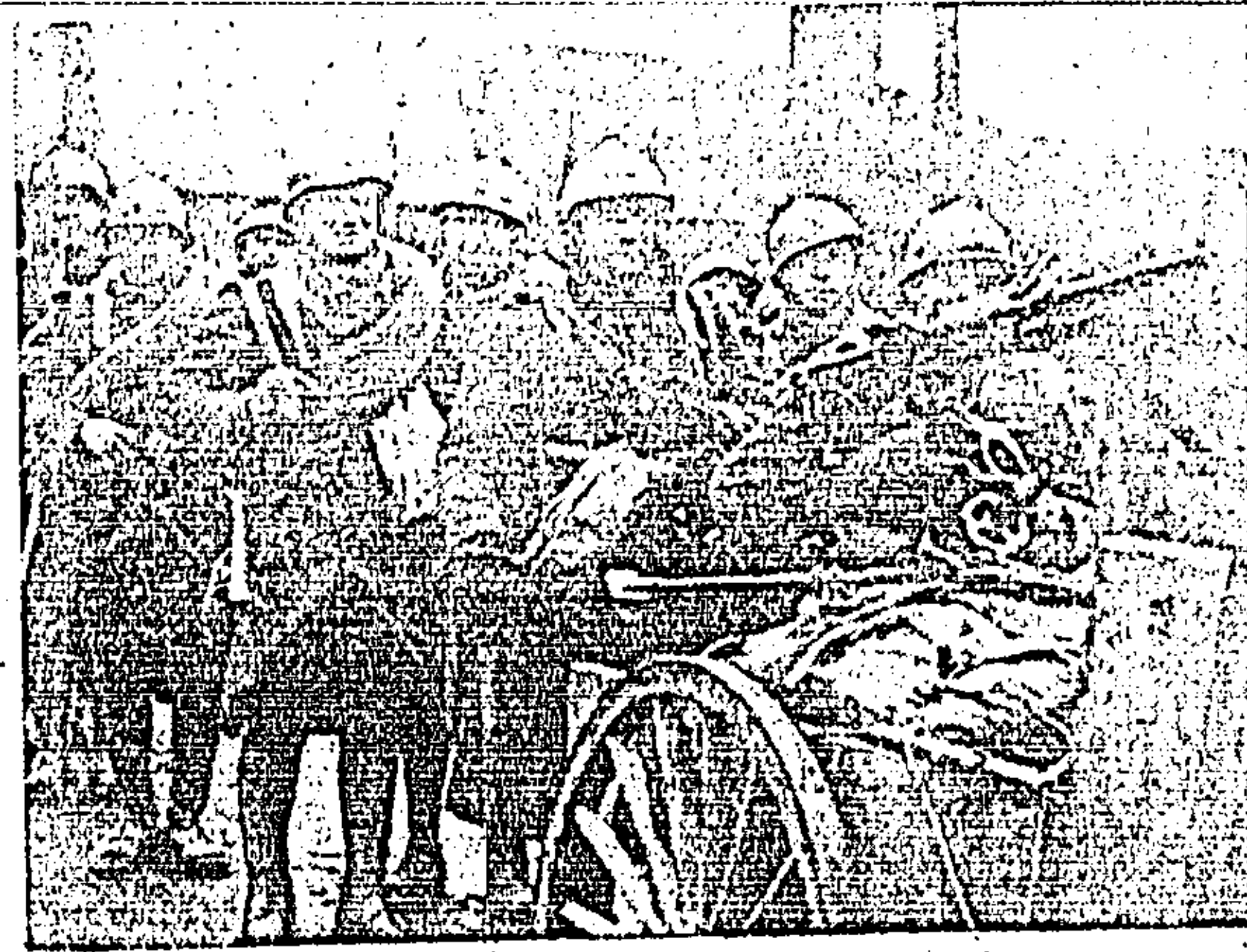
LONDON, Feb 5 (Reuters).—Their Majesties the King and Queen returned to Buckingham Palace this afternoon after spending the weekend at Windsor.

and blue sky. It is almost like living in a convalescent home.

"Kind To Us"

"The authorities are awfully kind to us here, and no one could honestly complain of anything. Gradually the people are going back to their homes, and back to work, so I am hoping to go back soon to Mecklenburg. Our rooms are well heated, and we have nice beds. A wireless supplies us with music. I hope things are not too bad in England," says Mr. Humphris.

THEY'LL SURPRISE THE HUNS



INTERNEED BY NAZIS

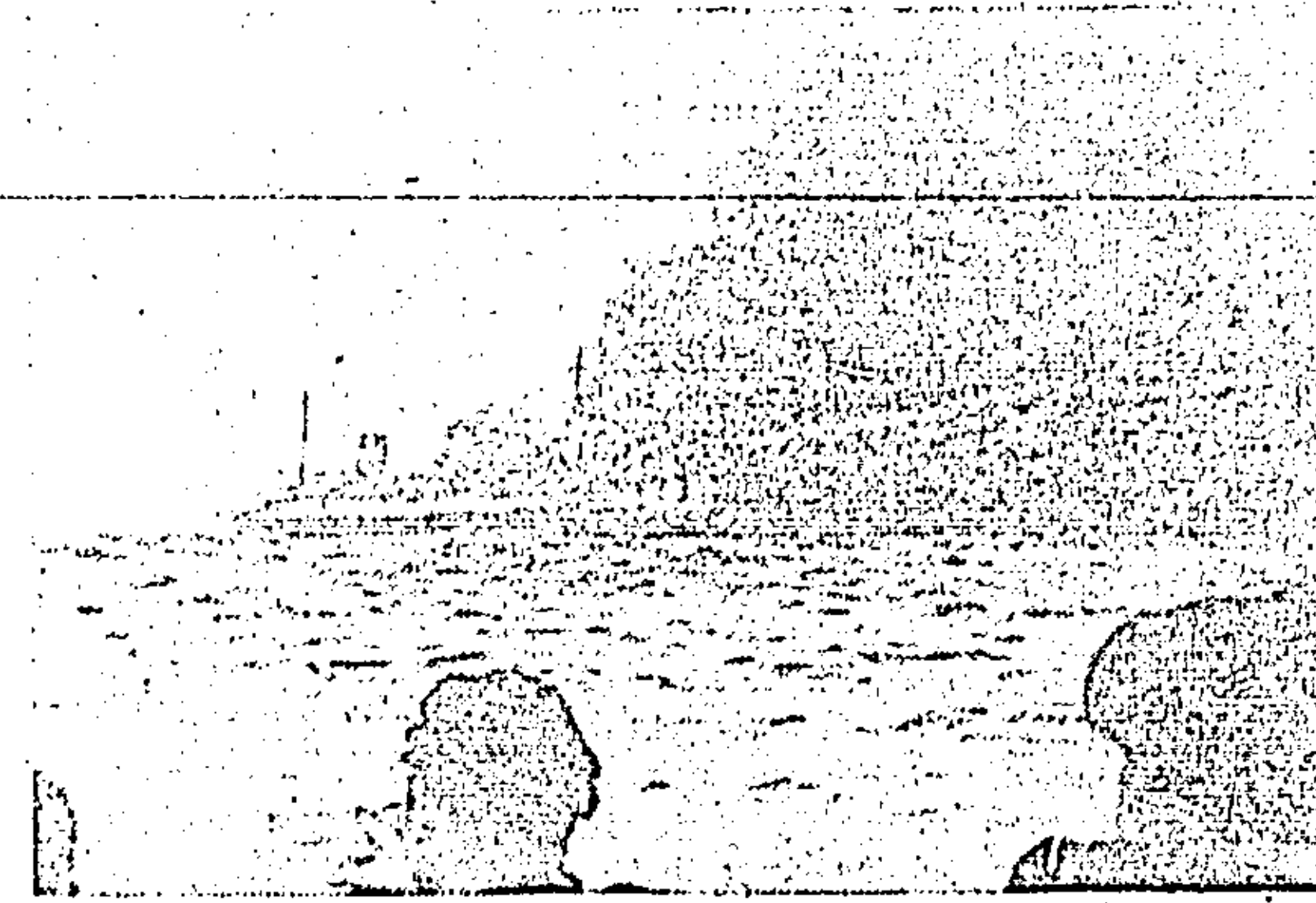
INTERNEED in Germany, Mr. Arthur Humphris, a language teacher, of Malvern, Worcestershire, finds life quite tolerable.

He has just written to his parents, who are overjoyed to learn of his safety after four months of anxiety. Formerly a valet at Bristol, Mr. Humphris, who is 23, studied German at Bristol University. He secured a scholastic appointment at Breslau over a year ago, and before war broke out was last heard of at Mecklenburg.

"There are a lot of English people here," he writes, "and I get on very well. In spite of everything, Christmas has been quite jolly. On Christmas Eve we had a very nice concert brought together by us English and the French."

"The life here is very comfortable. We make up our card and tea parties and manage to find some sort of amusement. The scenery is simply glorious. We are situated high up in a kind of castle. It reminds me of Christmas on Christmas cards. For us English it is a magnificent sight. Snow everywhere, dry atmosphere,

END OF THE COLUMBUS



Scuttled and set afire 420 miles off the Delaware cape, to escape British destroyer waiting to sink it, the German liner Columbus roars into flame after it has been abandoned by its crew. The picture was taken by a member of the crew in a lifeboat, from which other members watch the burning ship.

Cash Drifts Back In Empty Boat

A LARGE sum of money that has been drifting about the seas in an open boat for more than a month has just been returned to its owner, Mr. Henry Fisher, of Mayfield-road, Whitby, Yorks.

Mr. Fisher was first mate of the motor vessel Vancouver City when it was attacked by a U-boat in September.

He packed his savings, his master's certificate, and discharge papers covering seventeen years, and handed the case to a sailor who was leaving in the first lifeboat.

The men in this boat were picked up by a Dutch ship, which also rescued Mr. Fisher. Then Mr. Fisher found that in the excitement of the rescue his money and papers had been left in the lifeboat.

But wind and tide carried the boat round the north of Scotland, into the North Sea, and down to the Belgian coast.

Offend fishermen towed it in. Mr. Fisher's package was still on board. It was handed to the British Consul.

RADIO HOAX COSTS BOOKIES THOUSANDS

MELBOURNE.

A RADIO hoax has cost Australian bookmakers thousands of pounds.

The lines of the two broadcasting stations at Ascot race-course were cut. The announcer and engineer were lured from the microphone and involved in a bogus drunken quarrel between two of the conspirators.

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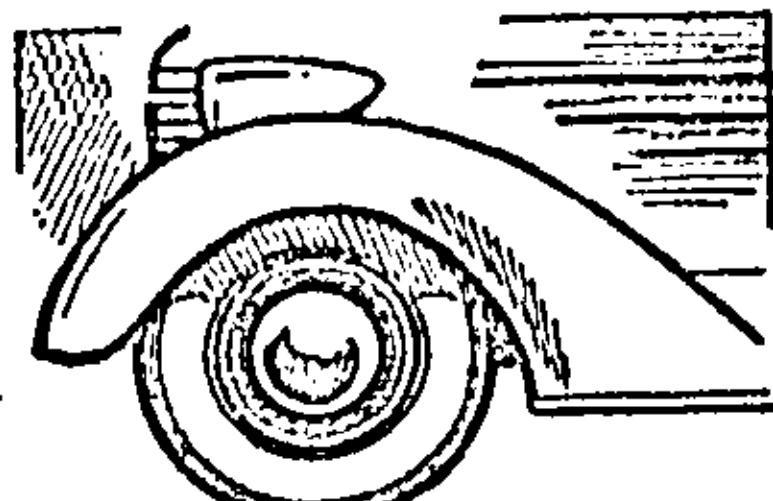
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at 5.30 p.m. to-day. (Macau and
Shanghai papers please copy).
No wreaths by request.The
Hongkong Telegraph

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Finland's Struggle

It is almost ten weeks since Russia
opened fire on the freedom of Finland.
The situation upon which the Soviet
dictator looks forth from the Kremlin
is far different from his intentions.
Finland's armies have flung back the
Russian hosts, while her towns and
her women and children steadfastly
endure the horrors of bombing.
Battled in every sector of the fighting
front, the Soviet seek vengeance by
air attack on towns and villages. One
of them, Viborg, the second city of
Finland, is also under bombardment.
This particular atrocity may have
given special pleasure in Moscow, for
Viborg was founded 600 years ago to
guard the marches of civilisation.
The Russian air force has paid heavily
for its raids, the Russian army can-
not maintain the offensive, and over
200 miles of front is reeling back.
Attacks on the Mannerheim Line
across the Isthmus, the short straight
way into Finland, have become cumu-
latively unsuccessful.Reports of the fighting show that
in everything but numbers—strategy,
tactics, efficiency of weapons and in-
dividual fighting power—the Finns
were far superior to the invaders.
The story of the march of waves of
Russian infantry across the ice of
frozen lakes, mowed down on that
clear field of fire by Finnish artillery
till the ice broke under the barrage,
recalls the evening of Austerlitz. But
the lakes of Finland are bigger and
deadlier than the lake on which
Napoleon's guns caught the Russian
masses. So far Moscow has conspired
most successfully to keep the extent
of these reverses from its own people.
The very existence of a war has
barely been acknowledged in the
curiously reticent communiques. But
there is evidence that the veil of
secrecy is at last being pierced and
that an uneasy realisation is growing
that there have been some miscalcu-
lations about the easy triumphs that
had been expected. Casualties on
such a scale cannot be concealed for
an indefinite time. Unofficially the
failure to win a lightning victory may
be attributed to the strength of the
Mannerheim Line and the natural
advantages of Finland. These things,
apparently, the dictatorship could
not more force than the cold of winter.
The Finns admit heavy losses of
their own, and they out-numbered as
a nation 40 to one, must husband their
man-power. All history shows that
Russian military effort on the offen-
sive is far inferior to its defensive
power. The invasion of Finland was
initially handicapped by incompetent
direction and training, defective
armament and lack of supplies. Com-
munications in Russia are still in-
adequate to the needs of a large army
fighting on or beyond the frontier.

ADOLF: "Of course, it's only a loan, old boy!"

To help Finland we must

BEAT HITLER
FIRST

By Francis Williams

RUSSIA has refused the
appeal of the League of
Nations, of which she
once professed herself
the most ardent of members.Her aggression in Finland
continues. And at a formidable
increased pace. With at least a
million and half of men and
more than a thousand war-
planes, Stalin now sets himself
to crush without mercy the
pivotal nation which has dared
to fight for its own soul.What can we do to help Finland?
That question is being asked
all over Britain. Millions of men
and women who recognise in
Russia's attack an act as brutal as
any in history, ask it with a bewil-
dered feeling of frustration. We
went to war with Germany to stop
aggression. They endorsed that
decision. But where, they now ask
themselves, will be the end of civil-
isation's fight against barbarism?Why, I have been asked, do we
give only our blessing to Finland,
when for Poland, a country less
democratic and less advanced, we
fight with all our forces?Why do we not even give to Fin-
land the aid of economic sanctions
we gave to Abyssinia?There is, of course, a practical
answer to these questions. We are
engaged in a life and death
struggle with a powerful and un-
relenting foe. We cannot afford to
disparage our forces.

The strength of the League has

been so weakened that it no longer
has sufficient power to take
effective action against a mighty
lawbreaker. It can do little more
than condemn the crime.Nor can France and Britain
alone take upon themselves the
active defence in every part of the
world of those moral standards
which are the joint heritage of all
the nations of Western civilisation,
including the great United States.Three wars are being waged at
the same time in the world to-day.
Each is the result of brutal aggres-
sion by a strong Power against a
weak. We cannot intervene suc-
cessfully in each.To undertake a task beyond our
achievement would not be to
defend Western civilisation. It
would be to risk its final defeat.That danger we should incur if
we set ourselves a limitless objec-
tive. The essential first objective
is the defeat of Nazism.It is the most necessary because
Nazism, by its whole record, is
proved the most persistent of
aggressors. Decent aggression and
domination are not incidental to
Nazism. They are an integral partof its philosophy. Moreover the
declared scope of Nazi ambitions
offers the most direct threat to
Western Europe. And if the de-
mocracies of Western Europe and
the British Commonwealth fall
then indeed will the lamps of
European civilisation sputter into
darkness, leaving America, the
solitary and perhaps transient in-
heritor of that great tradition.Amidst the darkening storm of
barbarism which confronts us, one
thing surely is clearer than ever
before.It is that the democratic system
is the one essential foundation of
civilised living nationally and in-
ternationally.I do not doubt that there are
groups within Britain and within
France with imperialist ambitions
hardly less ruthless than those of
Hitler and Stalin and with con-
sciences no less blunted.But they are kept in control by
the force of democratic public
opinion which ceases to have
authority under a dictatorship.Democracy imposes upon its
ruler, the standards of toleration
and fair dealing which rule in the
ordinary affairs of decent men and
women.Dictatorships, corrupted by
absolute power, set themselves
above all common standards.We are fighting to re-establish
the authority of these standards.To that authority the greatest
immediate danger is Nazism.I do not minimise the danger of
Stalinism. I do not deceive myself,
as some still do, that Stalin's Com-
munism holds within itself any-
thing truly socialist. I think
Communism in any true socialist
sense came to an end when Stalin
secured complete control and
murdered all those who had been
the pioneers of the new order.Stalin will go his own course
undeterred by socialist philosophy.
But he will not, I think, remain
unaffected by the success of the
Western democracies in their war
against Hitlerism.His aggression has been carried
on under the shadow of Nazi
aggression. If that shadow re-
treats, we may see another change
of policy in Russia.

Our paramount task remains

then that of victory in the war
against Nazism. But what then?
By that time, unless by some
miracle the story of David and
Goliath is repeated, independent
Finland may have ceased to exist.How then can the free nations
repay their debt to a gallant and
democratic people?There is one way in which they
can try. It is this.When the war is won there will
be a peace conference. If that
conference is to be of any value it
must be something more than a
meeting of victors and defeated.
It must be a genuine effort to
build a new world order.At that conference we should do
two things. We should set up
machinery for international co-
operation which, unlike the League
of Nations, shall be economic as
well as political.We must make membership of
the new League or Federation—
whichever it is—economically ad-
vantageous. We must make
peaceful co-operation pay. And
we must make it a serious eco-
nomic disadvantage to any nation
to remain outside, to resign, or to
adopt such a policy as to force
expulsion.That is the only way to bind the
nations together in an organisa-
tion of international law which
will not collapse under the first
serious strain.We should invite Russia to join
on condition that she abandons
aggression. And on condition that
she allows the people of Russian
Poland and of Finland a free vote
to decide for themselves on their
independence.I think such an offer, with the
advantages acceptance would give,
would be hard for even Stalin to
refuse.We cannot help Finland now
as much as we would like. But
we must pledge ourselves to re-
member her when the new Europe
is being shaped.The first nine weeks of the Fin-
nish campaign have been a monu-
ment of bad staff work.

THE FINNISH WAR IS 9 WEEKS OLD. IT IS—

A Monument of Bad
Russian Staff WorkWHEN Germany attacked
Poland she did so with
a superiority of about two to
one in man power, and certainly
rather more in machine power.When Russia attacked Finland she
did so with a superiority of about
forty to one in man power.Having herself a plentiful supply
of tanks, heavy artillery and aircraft,
she pitted herself against a small
Power deficient in all these respects,
and the Finns were far from strong
in anti-tank guns.Germany, in fact, attacked an
opponent far more formidable than
Finland. She encountered some re-
verses, but after three weeks and
before the Russian stab in the back
virtually paralysed Polish resistance
—Poland was a defeated nation.What progress has Russia achieved
in the same period?She has, at great cost, made a
successful attack in the far north.
She has made a dangerous thrust
across central Finland to the Gulf
of Bothnia. Against the strong Fin-
nish defences in the south of Finland
she has made practically no progress
at all.What is the explanation of Ger-
many's quick results, Russia's slow
ones?In the first place the Finns have
no disloyal minorities to furnish spies
—though for diplomatic reasons theRussians would not like this explana-
tion.The Russians would blame the
ground over which they have to
operate. Poland had one of the
hardest frontiers to defend; Finland
has one of the hardest to attack.The lakes and forests of the south
and centre, the rocks, hills, and bitter
cold of the far north, act on an attacker
an exceedingly difficult problem.But the Russian General Staff had
every opportunity of finding out
beforehand, and they should have
framed their plans accordingly.This they failed to do. Whether
it was their own miscalculation or
Stalin's, they made their plans on
the footing, not that they were to
face a campaign, but that they were
merely to enjoy a walk-over.They attempted to terrorise the
Government and people by aerial
bombing. They inflicted a good deal
of damage, but were surprised to find
their bombers assailed by furious
anti-aircraft fire.The Russian Fleet took a hand
by undertaking what was notoriously
one of the most unprofitable of op-
erations of war in bombardment from
the sea a port where land batteries
were stationed.They treated Hangö as if it were
a harmless fishing village, and were
surprised to find that they had one
of their ships sunk and several dam-
aged.Their operations on land were no
less casual. They employed second-
line troops. Knowing that the weath-
er, even in the south, was normally
cold enough to freeze the lakes in
November, they neglected to provide
the men with underwear.Knowing that to obtain resistance
to cold a substantial diet containing
a high proportion of fats is essential,
they sent their men into action
under-nourished to the point of semi-
starvation.They had a colossal superiority in
numbers, a considerable superiority
in military material. They made lit-
tle use of the one, poor use of the
other.At the outset only 300,000 of their
millions of men were deployed on
the Finnish frontier. Now the figure
has been brought up to 500,000. It
still remains far short of that decisive
superiority of at least three to one
which is generally essential for an
attack.The Russians, too, have often
shown little skill in their choice of
weapons. Although the Finns are
weak in anti-tank weapons, the Rus-
sians have suffered severe losses in
tanks. That is largely because they
employed heavy tanks in soft snow;
these naturally got stuck and pre-
sented easy targets.Where, as in the far north, light
tanks have been used much better
results have been obtained.

OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

WORKERS PROMISE TO HELP

Government Starts Production Drive
LONDON, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—The determination of British workers to help the Government in its new drive for arms production was expressed to-day by the Amalgamated Engineering Union.

Representatives of the Union visited the Minister of Labour, who expressed to them the aims of the new effort.

Mr. Fred Smith, Secretary of the Union, said: "It is one of the most honourable programmes I have ever seen."

The Government, he said, had asked the Union to help them to get the labour which would be needed and "we have given an undertaking to do everything possible to assist."

Much Labour Required
The Minister of Labour, Mr. Smith revealed, had pointed out to them a document which he wished them to examine and a further meeting would be held in from 10 to 14 days' time.

The Government was concentrating on its arms drive and a vast labour force would be required. The Government very much appreciated what the "Trade Unions had already done," Mr. Smith concluded.

Newfoundland Sailors Meet Mrs. Chamberlain

LONDON, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—A party of sailors from Newfoundland, some of whom were joined the Royal Navy and who were spending a few days' leave here, had an unexpected meeting with Mrs. Neville Chamberlain this morning.

They were being shown the sights of London by a party of women who had volunteered to act as guides.

When Mrs. Chamberlain heard that the sailors were in Whitehall, she came immediately and met them from No. 10 Downing Street to see them.

The party included two sailors and, as the prime minister's wife approached, one of their number called them to attention.

Mrs. Chamberlain spent nearly 20 minutes chatting to the men who had been enlisted for the war, and the group of No. 10 before they left.

MAHATMA SEES THE VICEROY

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examined the whole field in consultation with representatives of all parties when the time came.

He also made clear the anxiety of His Majesty's Government to shorten the transitional period and to bring it as effectively as possible.

The Viceroy drew attention to the fact that the Federal Scheme Act, while at present in suspense, afforded the swiftest stepping-stone towards Dominion status and its adoption.

The consent of all concerned, he stated, would facilitate the solution of many problems that had to be faced in that connection.

The Viceroy noted that an offer which he had made in November for the expansion of the Governor General's Council remained open. His Majesty's Government was prepared to give immediate effect to it.

Federal Scheme
Subject to the consent of all parties affected, Government was also prepared to re-open the Federal Scheme in order to expedite the achievement of Dominion status and to facilitate the settlement after the war, of issues which had arisen.

Mahatma Gandhi expressed his appreciation of the spirit in which the proposals were made but made it clear that, in his view, they did not, at this stage, meet the full demand of the Congress party.

He suggested and the Viceroy agreed that in the circumstances it would be preferable to defer for the present further discussion with the object of finding a solution for the difficulties which had arisen.

Consults Moslem Opinion
NEW DELHI, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—Apart from an official communiqué issued to-night, nothing more has been revealed about the talk between the Governor-General and Mahatma Gandhi to-day.

Gandhi has already been in touch with Moslem opinion as the result of his conversation with Sir Sikander Hayat Khan, Premier of Punjab.

Another prominent Moslem, Abdul Kaseem Faisal Hussain, put forward a suggestion on Sunday that Coalition Cabinets be formed in the provinces for the duration of the war. He considered that this would pave the way for unity between Moslems and Hindus.

There has yet been no reaction to this suggestion from Congress circles.

Not Meeting Jinnah
NEW DELHI, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—As the result of Gandhi's early departure, the proposed meeting with Mr. M. A. Jinnah, the Moslem League leader, is not taking place.

The unexpected rapid developments to-day caused surprise but it is noted that the communiqué suggests that consultations are only deferred.

FINLAND'S DEFENCES ARE SEVERELY TESTED

Chinese Claim Successes

CHUNGKING, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—The Chinese in south Kwangsi are launching counter-attacks in an effort to turn back the Japanese drive from Nanning. In the endeavour to turn the Japanese right flank, the Chinese south-east of Pingyang are stated to be exerting pressure on the Japanese column which crossed the Yu River and is pushing north from Yungshun.

Chinese field despatches claim that Yungshun, on the south bank of the Yu River, east of Nanning, has been recaptured. Kangtang, south-east of Pingyang, is also said to have been recaptured.

The Japanese column which reached Pingyang is now said to have been driven back to a point in the vicinity of Lungyu, south of Pingyang.

Fighting is reported to be in progress along the highway between Nanning and Yanchow where the Chinese claim the town of Lupin, on the highway, has been recaptured.

Ministers' Speeches Approved

"No Issue Short Of Victory Or Defeat"

LONDON, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—Most of the British Press

acclaims the week-end speeches of Mr. Oliver Stanley, the Minister of War, Mr. Anthony Eden, Secretary of the Dominions, and Mr. Clement R. Attlee, the Labour Opposition Leader.

The "Manchester Guardian," for instance, writes that the case against premature and unconditional peace negotiations could not have been more tersely and effectively put than it was by Mr. Oliver Stanley.

The "Daily Telegraph" warns against the agencies that are at work trying to enforce the nation's purpose by suggestions that an option to the prosecution of the war is available.

Mr. Oliver Stanley was right in emphasising that in this struggle there can be no issue short of victory or defeat, the paper continues.

"We must go on or go down, and with us stands or falls civilization."

Attlee Shows Way

The "Daily Herald" says that Mr. Attlee's speech has shown the way to disprove the German lies that Britain is fighting an imperialist war.

That way is by re-emphasising all claims to special rights in colonial territories by declaring Britain's preparedness to bring every one of the colonies under a mandatory system and by pushing forward the self-government system whenever practicable.

"Our deeds will then speak louder than Dr. Goebbels' words and our sincerity will bring ever-increasing sympathy from neutral nations," the paper concludes.

BIG TEN CONFERENCE

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that British delegates were welcomed by M. Daladier, who said that he regretted that owing to his recent accident, it was impossible for him to travel to England for a meeting of the Council there.

Mr. Chamberlain expressed the sympathy of the British representatives with M. Daladier and their pleasure that he was making so good a recovery.

The Council examined, under every aspect, the various factors in the present situation as they affect the general conduct of the war.

Various questions were given particular consideration in the spirit of close co-operation which inspires the actions of the two governments with the object of ensuring still greater efficiency in the realm of Franco-British collaboration.

The question of supplies was given special attention.

RUSSIA OVERWHELMED BY ANOTHER DISASTER

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our air craft took place, concludes the communiqué.

Kajani Bombed
HELSINKI, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—This morning enemy air craft raided Kajani, terminus of the railway running northwards through the centre of southern Finland.

No details are yet available.

Recently, Soviet airmen appear to have been concentrating on bombing hospitals and country churches.

Many places of worship have been burned down as a result of such attacks.

Red Drive Looks More Impressive

HELSENKI, Feb. 5.—All that remains of the Great Forest round Summa on the Kallian Isthmus, where the Russian assault began last week, is a desolate waste of charred tree stumps, Russian shells which have poured in are of 1939 and 1940 makes, which indicates that they have exhausted their pre-war accumulation of ammunition.

The recent heavy Russian attacks, which the Finns repulsed, are regarded as probably the last attempt to break through the Finnish defences before the expected spring offensive.

Soviet Communiqué
Moscow, Feb. 5.

A Soviet communiqué reports that activity has been limited to scouting and infantry clashes in the area north of Lake Ladoga.

Drive Against Railway
Amsterdam, Feb. 4.

The Sunday evening papers here say that the Russians are making a new thrust to reach the Bohemian Gulf.

What at first glance seemed to be a chaotic Russian operation is now beginning to look like a big attempt to capture the whole of the Finnish Eastern Railway and reach the Gulf by a drive to the north-west rather than by cutting Finland's waist line as the Russians unsuccessfully tried in the first part of the campaign.

The railway starts at Leningrad, skirts the western side of Lake Ladoga, and thence travels through Joensuu, Nurmee and Tootu on the Gulf. The Russian attack on the Karelian Isthmus tends to follow the railway while the attacks to the north of Lake Ladoga have nearly reached the railway at Kitee.

Now, the Russians are also operating from Kitee to the westward a drive which could threaten Kontionaki.

A study of the map reveals an ambitious Russian bid for possession of the railway. If, as the Scandinavians fear, the Imbroglia caused by the speech made in the Diet on February 3 by Mr. Takuu Saito, veteran member of the Minseito Party, in which he challenged the Konoze statement, declaring that if it is really carried out Japan would get nothing out of the war in China.

Attention is centred on the meeting of the Lower House of the Diet on February 4, when the resolution of non-confidence against Mr. Toshi Koyama, Speaker, for his failure to call Mr. Saito to order.

The resolution of non-confidence is being brought up at to-day's plenary session of the Diet by the Jiyokoku, Doshikai and Social Mass Parties and the reformist section of the Seiyukai Party.

Injured Boys Flown To Hospital

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—After two days of battling against merciless snow storms in an Army transport plane, two injured C.C.C. boys from Arizona are now undergoing medical treatment here.

One, a boy of 19, is suffering from a broken back. The other, a kid of 17 years, has a broken arm and shoulder received in a lorry accident on Christmas Day.

When they did not respond to treatment at the camp it was decided to bring them here by air but snow storms arising up, the plane had to come down at Salt Lake City for a while.

They landed at Hamilton Field on Sunday and were rushed by Army Ambulance across San Francisco Bay bridge to the military hospital.

Swedish Exports Diverted

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—A conference between Swedish and Norwegian State Railway representatives at Osterund is reported to have agreed to the diverting of Swedish exports from Baltic to Norwegian ports.

At the time when Germany first seized Swedish cargoes and pulp, certain Swedish producers took steps to ensure warehouse accommodation in Norwegian ports with the view to such diversion.

More Unemployed Last Month

LONDON, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—The number of unemployed on the registers on January 15 showed an increase of over 157,000 compared with December 11 last.

Over 130,000 of the increase are accounted for by the fact that industries were adversely affected by frost and snow.

Japanese Plane Forced Down

TOKYO, Feb. 5 (Domei).—Anxiety is felt for nine passengers and the crew of four of a passenger liner of the Japan Airways Company which made a forced landing near desert reefs to-day while en route from Kyushu to Formosa.

The plane arrived at Naha from Fukuoka at 2.40 p.m. and left for Taihoku, Formosa, at 3.00.

Developing engine trouble it made a forced landing near Uvoisuri Islands, a group of desert coral reefs between Loochoos and Formosa.

A rescue plane headed for the scene from Taihoku and a ship dashed from the Yaweyama Islands.

NO HURRY TO ENACT EMBARGO

America To Study Matter Closely

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 (UP).—Demands for restrictive measures against Japan by House and Senate members are increasing, but the leaders indicate there is no hurry to enact an embargo.

Senator Sherman Minton stated that there was no motion to change the plan to study the matter closely from all possible angles. Commodity interests such as cotton have not been determined in the present demand for hasty action, although some southerners favour partial restriction of raw material shipments.

"We cannot continue to disregard the fact that China and Japan are at war," said Senator Allen Ellender. "As much as I sympathize with the Chinese people, as neutrals we cannot discriminate between belligerents."

Representative Fred Crawford said he would speak on the floor of the House on behalf of cotton interests.

IMBROGLIO IN TOKYO POLITICS

TOKYO, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—The Press and public continue to be intrigued by the Imbroglia caused by the speech made in the Diet on February 3 by Mr. Takuu Saito, veteran member of the Minseito Party, in which he challenged the Konoze statement, declaring that if it is really carried out Japan would get nothing out of the war in China.

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Wants To Become U.S. Citizen

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—Exiled because he married the Duke and Duchess of Windsor, the Rev. J. E. Jardine completed plans to-day for becoming an American citizen.

As soon as his birth certificate and other papers arrive from England, he said, he wants to apply for his first papers.

He indicated that this should be within two months.

He will make his home in Hollywood.

Licence Needed For Export Of Tin

LONDON, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—A Board of Trade order adds tin to the metals which, under their alloys in unwrought forms, require licences for export to any destination.

The order came into force on February 4.

Reich Not Sending Arms To Russia

BERLIN, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—Official circles scoff at reports made that Germany is sending arms and munitions to Soviet Russia.

"Such stories are unfounded nonsense," is the official comment.

Nothing To Report

PARIS, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—A communiqué issued here to-day states that there is nothing to report.

WHY CHILDREN ARE FRETFUL

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ASAMA INCIDENT

Notes Exchanged To Be Published To-day

TOKYO, Feb. 5.

With the necessary arrangements completed, the contents of the notes exchanged by the British and the Japanese Governments regarding the Asama Maru incident will be made public simultaneously in London and Tokyo about 5 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon, it was reliably learned to-day.

It is understood that a virtual agreement has been reached between the two Governments as a result of the recent negotiations between the Foreign Minister, Mr. Hachiro Arita, and Sir Robert Craigie, the British Ambassador.

Mr. Arita will report to the general meetings of the Upper and the Lower Chambers to-morrow on the settlement.

Diplomatic Activity
Tokyo, Feb. 5.

Herr Eugen Ott, German Ambassador, called on Mr. Tani, Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs, to-day in connection with the Asama Maru affair.

M. Arsene Henry, French Ambassador, called on Mr. Tani later.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: Deals were reported in Dooms, Providents, Cements, Dairy Farms & Watsons. There were enquiries for quite a few other counters which however, met with no response.

Buyers
H.K. Bank \$1,400
Canton Ins. \$212 1/2
Fires Ins. \$180
Dougherty \$100
Docks \$21 1/2
Hotels \$3 1/2
Lammy \$24
Lammyways \$17 1/2
Yauwatt Ferries \$24 1/2
China Light (Old) \$14 1/2
China Light (New) \$4 1/2
Electricity \$25 1/2
Telephone (Old) \$24 1/2
Cement \$10 1/2
Dairy Farms (Old) \$21 1/2
Dairy Farms (New) \$20 1/2
Watsons \$2 1/2
Entertainments \$5 1/2
H.K. Bank \$1,420
Cement \$10 1/2
Dairy Farms (Old) \$22

Rates
H.K. Bank \$1,400
Docks \$21 1/2
Provident \$4 1/2
Star Ferries \$27 1/2
Cement \$10 1/2
Dairy Farms (Old) \$22
Watsons \$2 1/2
Manila Gold Shares

Atoka 20 s
Antanuk 10 s
H.K. Bank 10 s
Batong Duhay 10 s
P.K. wedge 21 s
Coca Grove 21 s
Com. Mines 0030 s
Demonstration 13 s
Mintanoo 13 s
F.C.L. 30 1/2 s
Ipo Gold 12 1/2 s
Mandulao Con. 013 s
Masbate Con. 11 s
Mindanao 22 1/2 s
S.M. Maunilo 84 s
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"R. Abbit's" Cricket Comments

COLD CONDITIONS FOR CRICKET

Indian Batsmen Defy Recreio Attack: Farce At The Kowloon C.C.

THE GLORIOUS CRICKET WEATHER which favoured the beginning of the season had entirely departed by Saturday last, which was as cold an afternoon as I have known for a long time. There was a most unpleasantly bitter wind at times at Sookunpoo, and in spite of two sweaters and a heavy overcoat I was none too warm. What the unfortunate players felt like I don't know, but I blame no man for dropping a catch on such a day. Talk about Keats's owl!

The Recreio batted first, and the chief feature of their innings was a fine knock of 72 by L. G. Gosano, who as usual opened the innings with his brother Zinho. It is, speaking subject to correction, his highest score in Senior League matches to date. J. M. Gosano (19) and P. M. N. da Silva (22) helped, and runs came quickly, so that just before 4 o'clock Rodrigues was able to declare at 170 for 6 wickets. Several catches were put down but, as I have said, in that cold I blame no one.

A POSSIBLE TASK

THE I.R.C. started their innings at 4.15, and, as it was February, had just two hours to make the runs, and 55 runs an hour is by no means an impossible task on that ground. But they found Ozorio and E. L. Gosano in deadly form and could do nothing with them in the way of forcing the pace. They are never a quick scoring side—unless Minu gets going—but on this occasion it required excellent batting to keep up the wicket.

Ozorio kept a good length and was turning appreciably from leg, while Eddie Gosano, after bowling two overs of outswingers with the new ball, started sending them down from close to the return crease and putting on an appreciable amount of off spin. Actually he looked more dangerous than Ozorio, but it was the latter who got the wickets.

The first time Y. el Arculli had a go at him he was taken in the covers. Kitchell managed to get things going a bit better, thanks to some dangerous batting, but it was the latter who got the wickets.

A STUBBORN INNINGS

A. H. MADAI then came in and settled down to play his usual solid and correct game. A. H. Rumjahn, who had been let off at backward short leg when turning Ozorio to leg some time before, made an even worse shot at a similar ball and asked it to first slip. He had, however, played an excellent and watchful knock and is an ideal opening bat. Things now began to look black for the Indians who badly missed Nazarin. M. el Arculli managed to get into double figures before being taken at mid-wicket, and A. M. Rumjahn gave a very quick chance to Zinho Gosano at first slip, who took it very cleanly.

Minu was caught off a lofty drive, and then after hanging on for a bit Baker gave Luigi Gosano his fourth catch, this time at mid-off. All the wickets except that of M. el Arculli fell to Ozorio.

A DRAW SECURED

MEANTIME, A. H. Madai continued to play very steadily and occasionally sent a bad ball (there were not many) to the boundary. When joined by his brother M. P. there was a quarter of an hour to go, but neither batsman looked like getting out and played watchful cricket in a bad light until stumps and the match were drawn.

A FAMILY AFFAIR

IT IS an extraordinary coincidence that all seven wickets fell to catches, and that they were all made by members of the Gosano family.

SPORT ADVTS.

HONG KONG FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

INTERPORT MATCHES

Owing to unforeseen circumstances the programme for the matches against Saigon has been re-arranged as follows:—

Hong Kong v. Saigon
Friday, February 9, 1940

Eastern A.A. v. Saigon
Saturday, February 10, 1940

South China A.A. v. Saigon
Sunday, February 11, 1940

All matches will be played at Caroline Hill at 3.30 p.m. each day.

family. Luigi got four, Zinho two and Gerry one, while the latter took the only wicket which escaped Ozorio, whose figures were 16-3-38-6. As so often happens with spin bowlers, he got most of his wickets with loose balls, while his best ones beat both bat and wicket.

A Complete Farce

AT K.C.C. the claims of Camp turned the game into a complete farce. University cannot afford to lose a single man, and they had four away. K.C.C. had only four of their regular first team playing but ran up 178 for three. Mulcahy had had to retire after a nasty knock in the face—and the Varsity stopped before Lloyd (6 for 10) and Curtis (4 for 22). For the K.C.C., P. J. Lay (84) and Ernie Fletcher (57 not out) did most of the scoring.

LOW SCORING

I DO TAKE OFF my hat to the Varsity in that they managed to turn out two League teams in spite of the absence of four of their best players. It just shows how stimulating a League is!

Their seconds managed to get up to eighty, out of which R. M. Soares had 25 runs. For the I.R.C. bowlers, Y. T. Barma was the most successful with 4 for 15. The Indians lost 6 wickets before they hit off their runs, and H. T. Barma (24) and M. L. Ruzick (25) did most of the work. They are not as strong a side as they used to be and I think they would improve with a bit more practice.

Police Win

ON THE CLUB GROUND a fairly strong Club second eleven side—but they were one short—were badly beaten by the Police. Their bowling broke down badly and Atwell, who plays for C.S.C. second in the league, was the only man to do much, taking 5-wickets for 44 runs. Robb had 3 for 33. W. L. Clarke (59) and Carey (49) started the good work and Dambrowsky (31) carried it on.

Facing a total of 184 the Club never looked like doing it; Gillespie hit hard for his 34, but the total only reached 84. Lewis bowled steadily sending down 8 overs for 2 wickets and 15 runs only, while Forrest had 4 for 18 in three overs.

Army v. Club

POSSIBLY owing to the fact that the game finished quite early, nobody seems to have discovered that the Army were at home to the Club first eleven on Saturday last at Sookunpoo in a friendly game. Each side was a man short.

The Army went in first and soon lost Sapper Shaw and Captain Duke, but then Logan settled down and Denyer played one of his hurricane innings. One humorous gentleman described his first shot as a magnificent drive to the boundary high over first slip's head. He rattled up 31 before he was well taken in the gully by John Pearce.

Webb came in and did pretty well again for the second week running, and helped Logan to add 62 runs for the fourth wicket before he was run out when his score was 23. Shortly after, Logan was bowled having contributed an excellent 58. Captain Laurence did not come off and when Captain Grose was 14 not out he declared at 180 for 7 wickets.

DISASTROUS CHANGE

PEARCE shuffled the batting order up a good deal with disastrous effects, (or possibly in the cold it would have happened just the same). Owen Hughes went in first with Haynes, but 3 were down for 17, and Day's hard-hit 20 was the only decent score.

Alice Pearce went in last and was l.b.w. to Young, their new left-hander after scoring 14, Perry being left 2 not out. The 9 wickets fell for 73. Hatfield bowled steadily to take 3 for 23; Denyer took 3 for 23; Sapper Shaw 2 for 17; and Young 1 for 7. It was like all the other games—very much spoilt by the cold weather. So was I.

SHANGHAI RUGBY FIFTEEN

Fast, Youthful Side to Oppose Hongkong

Do You Recognise This Man?

The picture is of Bert Oldfield, the famous Australian wicket-keeper, in a new role. He is now a Sergeant in the Australian Army.



SHANGHAI, Feb. 5 (UP).

—Shanghai's rugby team to play Hongkong was selected to-day. The team is:

W. N. Dickson; J. W. M. Martin; A. P. D. Kennedy; S. M. Thornley; S. J. Ward; I. F. Aucott; J. R. Dickinson; R. A. O. Mayne; R. O. Reynolds; A. Gammie; W. D. Pearson (Captain); M. O. Liddell; C. F. Pow; S. A. Wallace; P. B. Tay. Reeves; J. D. Sayle; A. Thomas.

The team is not overstrong, but it is composed of youthful and keen players who are fit and fast, factors which are likely to counteract Hongkong's greater experience, but reportedly slower team.

MATCH ON THURSDAY

THE INTERPORT game takes place on Thursday at 11 a.m. at the Canidrome. Hongkong will oppose the Marines on Saturday and the interport dance will take place at the Country Club on Saturday night.

If Shanghai loses, the Marines are expected to win. However, the Marines hope for a dry ground so they can use their speed to advantage. On a wet ground they are somewhat puzzled by orthodox footstruts.

Shanghai's team meets with general approval, although a few critics believe Thomas should have been included instead of Ward.

ENTERTAINMENT

AN EXTENSIVE programme of entertainment has been arranged for the Hongkong Interport Football and Rugby teams, which are expected to arrive on Tuesday by the S.S. Esang.

Despite unfavourable weather conditions, which included a fall of snow, local interport teams managed to put in a final practice over the week-end.

A heavy fall of snow on Friday precluded play on the Race Course, but the Rugby players had an hour's work-out yesterday on the sports ground of the Shanghai Waterworks, loaned for the occasion.

Summing up prospects for the Interport Rugby match, the North China Daily News this morning states that though Hongkong are fielding a well-balanced side, since Shanghai won last year in Hongkong, there was no reason why another local victory should not be recorded.

Shanghai's fifteen, continued the paper, is expected to contain a well proportioned sprinkling of youth, which, as the game proceeds, should come into its own.

J. D. Bidwell, former Shanghai Interport, is expected to be the spearhead of the Colony attack.

Golf

Captain's Cup Qualifiers

T. Low, returning a card of 102-10=82 captured from a field of 24 in the Captain's Cup February qualifying competition over the Old Course at Fanling during the past week-end.

F. C. Young, with a score of 85-14=71, qualified over the New Course. A score of 83-16=67 was disqualified as the player had also taken a card on the Old Course.

Women's Yacht Racing Results

Following are the results of the fifth ladies race, second series, held by the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club yesterday over 9.55 miles:

Yacht	Pos.	Pla.
True Blue (Mrs. Crawhall-Wilton)	1	5
Redshank (Mrs. N. Lucas)	2	6
Gull (Mrs. L. A. Heiberg)	3	4
Gull (Mrs. D. D. Adams)	4	2

H.M.S. Thracian Lose Ten-pins

In a friendly 10-pin match at the Hongkong Bowling Alley yesterday, representative Alley Team beat H.M.S. Thracian by 350 points.

Player	Score
J. H. Watts	202
J. B. Landolt	187
H. Blount	181
G. Somerville	149
Total	1,519

INTERPORT FOOTBALL POSTPONED ONE DAY

Saigon Team Now Arriving On Thursday

Army Boxing Schedule Altered

As they coincide with Chinese New Year, the 15th Hongkong Area Inter-Unit Novice boxing finals, between Royal Scots and Middlesex Regiment, have been brought forward one day, and will now take place to-morrow night at Murray Barracks, commencing at 8.30 p.m. sharp.

His Excellency, the General Officer Commanding the Troops, Major General A. E. Crasell, will be present and will distribute the prizes. The Band of the Royal Scots will be in attendance.

Charges for admission will be \$1 and 50 cents, while Servicemen will be admitted at 20 cents. Season tickets for all Army boxing finals are available at \$5 each.

The Hongkong Area Individual Novices Finals will take place on Monday and Tuesday, February 19 and 20, at 8.30 and 6.30 p.m., respectively, and on February 22 at 8.30 p.m. These will also be held at Murray Barracks at the same prices.

Tennis

CIVIL SERVICE C.C. BEAT KOWLOON B.G.C.

DESPITE a steady light drizzle throughout the afternoon, some enjoyable mixed doubles tennis was witnessed at Happy Valley on Sunday when Civil Service Cricket Club beat Kowloon Bowling Green Club by nine sets to seven.

The results were:
W. J. Skinner and Mrs. Skinner (C.S.C.) beat F. F. Clarke and Mrs. P. Peckham 6-0; beat C. E. Turpin and Mrs. C. E. Turpin 6-0; beat J. B. Sturgeon and Mrs. Sturgeon 6-0.
I. Agafuroff and Mrs. G. Hooper (C.S.C.) beat Clarke and Mrs. Peckham 6-0; beat Peckham and Mrs. Turpin 6-0; beat Turpin and Mrs. Clarke 6-0; beat Sturgeon and Mrs. Sturgeon 6-0.
A. Rendell and Mrs. C. Jones (C.S.C.) beat Clarke and Mrs. Peckham 4-6; drew with Peckham and Mrs. Turpin 6-6; lost to Sturgeon and Mrs. Sturgeon 2-6.
J. A. Dendall and Mrs. C. Jones (C.S.C.) lost to Clarke and Mrs. Peckham 4-6; drew with Peckham and Mrs. Turpin 6-6; lost to Sturgeon and Mrs. Sturgeon 2-6.

Eight Runs' Victory

The match between Engineers and University on Sunday was held at Sookunpoo, not Pokfulam, as originally arranged, and resulted in a win for the Sappers by eight.

Engineers 155.5 dec. (Denyer not out 60, Bailey 31).
University—147 (A. Baker 77; Shipp 7-31).

Badminton League Walk-over

University "A" were given a walk over in the "A" Division of the Badminton League last night, as Chung Wai were unable to raise a team, as several of their players have left the Colony for the Chinese New Year.

GLAMOUR!

By Elizabeth Arden



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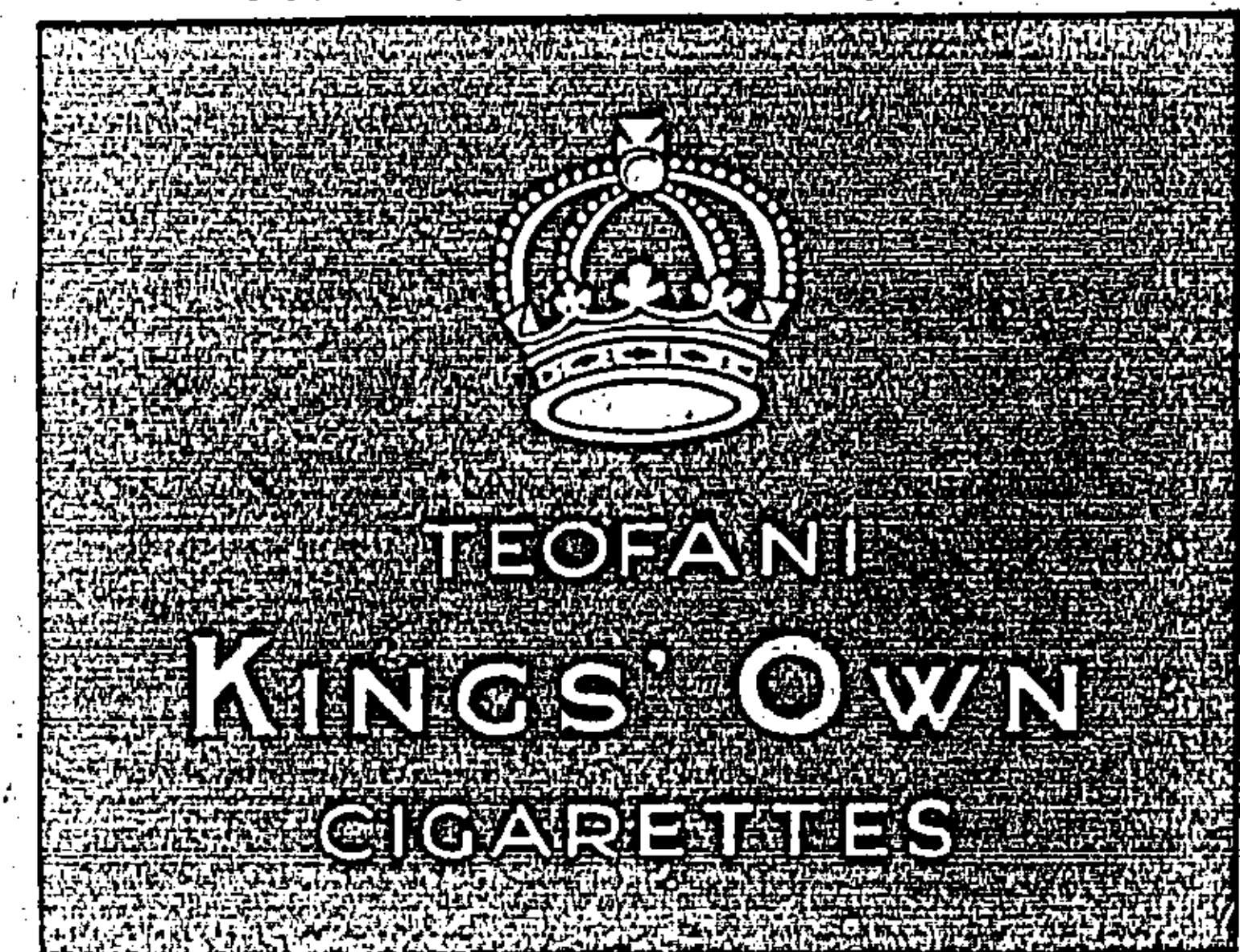
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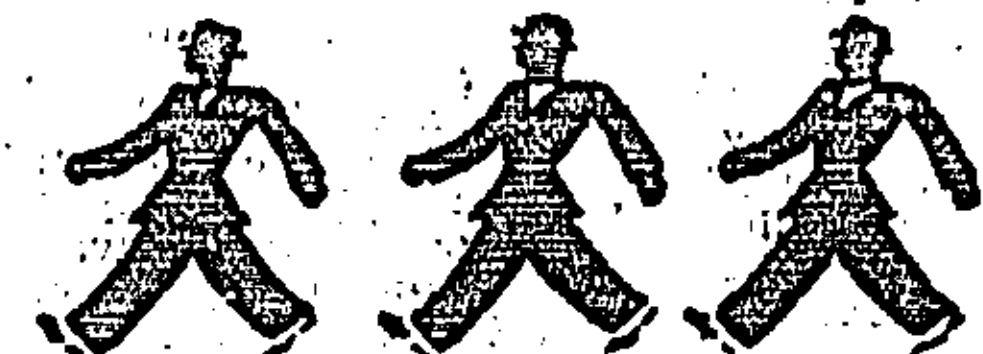


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IMPORTANCE OF SAUSAGES



A MAN was exempted from military service by the London Conscientious Objectors' Tribunal on condition he continued in his job as a sausage maker.

His work, said the chairman, Judge Hargrave, is important at the present time.

"Probably we should win the war if there were more sausages," said Sir James Ballie, a member of the Tribunal.

Father Will Boycott Wedding

NINETEEN-year-old Rosina Edith Foster, of South Park-grove, Malden, Surrey, is getting married.

But her father won't be there—he says he is going to boycott the wedding.

Six months ago Rosina fell in love with 27-year-old James O'Connor, of Richmond-road, Kingston.

"Jimmy is an Irishman," Rosina said, "and when I told my parents that we planned to marry I expected them to be as happy as I was about it."

"Mother was all right, but father said he wouldn't hear of it, and refused to give his consent. But Rosina was determined to marry her Irishman, so she took the matter to court."

Won Her Case

At the hearing her father did not appear and Rosina won her case. "I hoped that when my father saw I was really serious and intended to get married, he would give us his blessing. Instead, he was just the same."

TWO CRUISERS AND U-BOAT HER BAG

THE British submarine which let the Bremen go through, observing international law, not only sank a U-boat and torpedoed the cruiser Leipzig, but also scored two hits on a heavy cruiser of the Blücher class.

SHE WAS TOO CANNY

By MEA ALLAN

THIS is the sad tale of a woman who wanted to be canny.

She was—too canny. When war broke out she bought a store of tinned food.

And then some. She bought:—Carrots Celery hearts Spinach Grapefruit Stewed steak Pineapple Smoked haddock Cod fillets Peeled shrimps

Now, unexpectedly, she is going to South Africa.

And she doesn't want to take grapefruit or pineapple there. Because—well, you know about Newcastle and the coal.

So she had to send out an appeal for buyers. And all day recently her flat was filled with amateur dealers haggling over halibut and boneless chickens.

Rosina added that at present she expects to see only her two brothers and three girls who work with her at the ceremony.

But she is writing to all her friends to get them to come along.

She is holding the reception at Kingston.

Interviewed Mrs. Foster said: "As far as I am concerned the whole affair is now finished with."

This was revealed after the submarine—H.M.S. Salmon—returned to port.

The Salmon's commander is Lieut. Commander E. O. B. Bickford.

The full story of her fortnight's patrol on the enemy's "front door-step" is as crammed with incident as the whole war may be to other less fortunate crews.

"I hope every British submarine will have as much luck as we did," was all the comment Lt. Commander Bickford would make after he had given his report.

He and his crew had been amazed when their entry into harbour was the occasion for the sounding of the sirens of every ship present—among them two destroyers of the Polish Navy.

Iron Cross Hunt Soon Ended

The Salmon's adventures started almost as she reached her patrol area. She sighted a big German U-boat of the ocean-going type steaming fast on the surface with all the self-assurance of a newly-painted vessel outward bound in search of iron crosses.

Quickly the Salmon manoeuvred to the attack and fired torpedoes. After a few moments' agonising suspense there came a shattering explosion.

Commander Bickford, watching through his periscope, saw a blinding flash and wreckage was thrown at least 200 feet into the air.

The British submarine came to the surface to search for possible survivors. A wide area of oil fuel dotted with all manner of wreckage and the body of one German sailor was all that was found.

After this notable success a few days of purely routine patrol followed.

Then came the Bremen episode—and this is the first full true story.

Bremen—The True Story

In the first light of day as the Salmon lay on the surface, an enemy aircraft appeared, causing her to dive immediately.

About an hour later the engines of a large ship were heard on the hydrophone. The submarine poked her periscope to the surface, and there, steaming past at a good rate, was the Bremen, pride of the German mercantile marine.

Her course took her so close to the submarine that had Commander Bickford decided to fire a torpedo she presented a target he could not have missed.

But the British submarine set about carrying out the procedure required of it under International Law.

Although enemy aircraft were known to be in the vicinity, it came to the surface and made the signal by daylight signalling lamp "stop instantly"—the International Code signal "K."

The Bremen took no notice. Commander Bickford at once gave the order to load in order that a shot could be fired across the bows of the Bremen.

Not until this had been done and this second warning ignored by the Bremen could the Salmon legally take offensive action.

The warning shot was never fired. German aircraft appeared overhead and the Salmon had to dive.

In spite of this she could early have fired six torpedoes into the Bremen as she dived. But the dictates of international law could not be complied with. So the Bremen went home unharmed.

The Nazis' Fleet Was Out

Less than 24 hours later the Salmon was cruising just below the surface when the two German battle cruisers, Scharnhorst and Gneisenau, and one of the pocket battleships, accompanied by three cruisers, were observed through the periscope.

Two of the cruisers were the new 6-inch gun ships Hipper and Blücher, while the one funnel and conspicuous aircraft crane of the third identified her as the Leipzig.

A few minutes later they were within range. The Salmon fired six torpedoes on slightly different courses, thus hoping to disable more than one ship.

The First Torpedo Hit The Leipzig

There was a minute's pause, then two terrific explosions found that two other torpedoes had found their mark, almost certainly upon the second heavy cruiser of the Blücher class.

The other three torpedoes had obviously passed between the enemy ships.

The Salmon could not wait to determine the exact result of her attack. The enemy were after her. She had to dive deep and zig-zag at high speed to elude them.

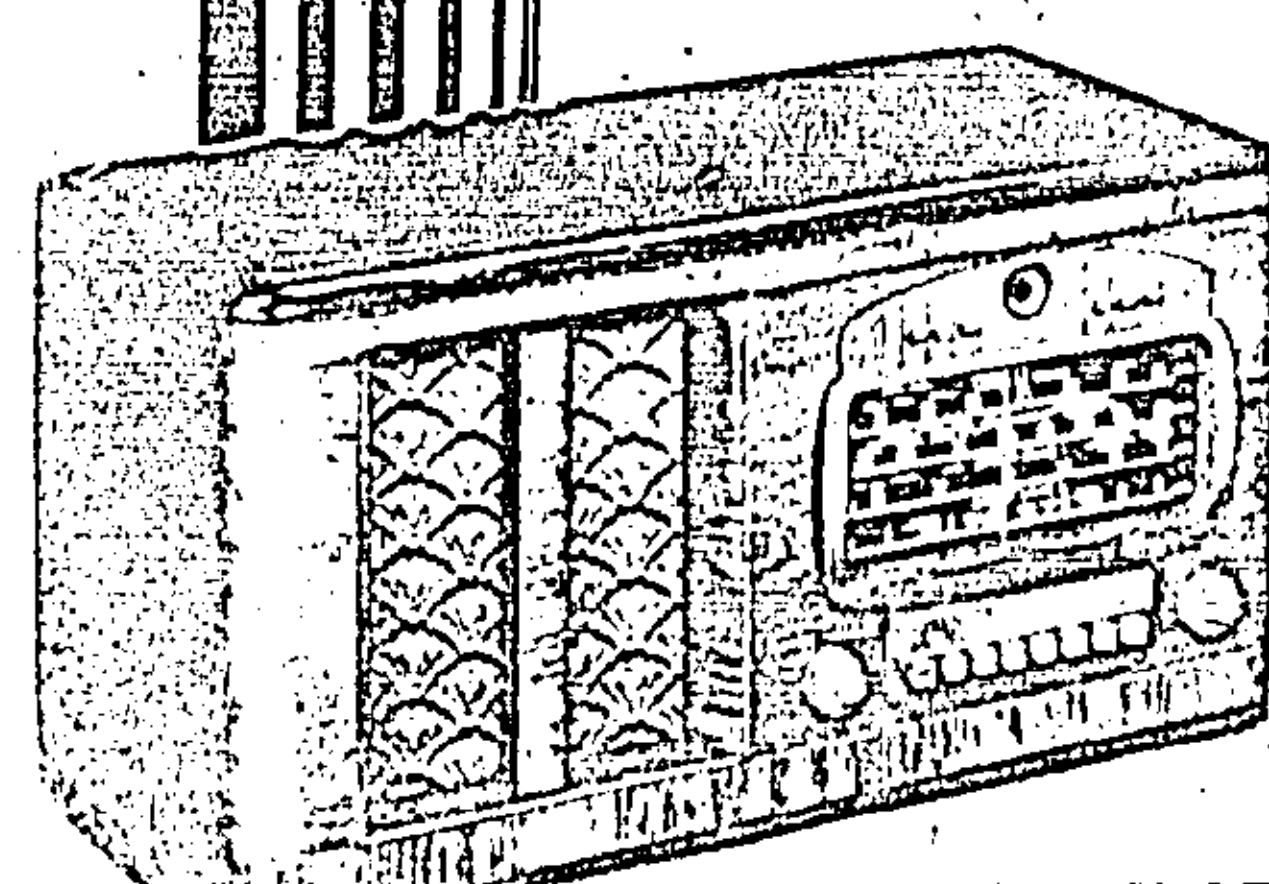
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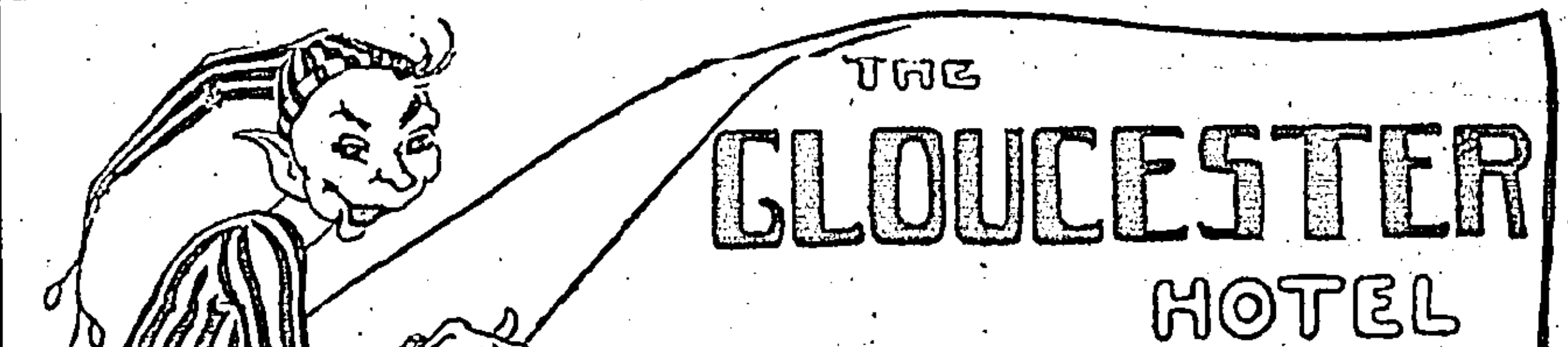


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1oz. 4-ply fingering red (price varies, about 7d.), 1/2 yard round elastic, 1 pair No. 6 needles, 1 pair No. 10 needles, small crochet hook.

HAT

WITH Kwiknit and No. 6 needles cast on 12 sts and work in s.s., using all the wool, just leaving sufficient to cast off. Join in a circle. Purl is right side.

SNOOD

With No. 10 needles and 4-ply wool cast on 21 sts. 1st row.—K 1, * m 1, k 2 tog, repeat from * to within 2 sts of end, m 1, k 1, m 1, k 1. 2nd and every alternate row.—Purl.

Repeat until sts number 67 (this for small to medium heads). Increase to 73 sts for large head. To decrease, 1st row.—K 1, k 2 tog, * m 1, k 2 tog, repeat from * to within 2 sts of end, k 2 tog, 3rd row.—K 2 tog, * m 1, k 2 tog, repeat from * to within 1 st of end, k 1, 5th row.—K 1, k 2 tog, * m 1, k 2 tog, repeat from * to within 1 st of end, k 1. Repeat from 3rd row until 40 sts remain. K 2 tog 10 times. Cast off, but do not break off wool.

TO MAKE UP

MAKE a circle of elastic to fit head comfortably. Hold snood with right side facing and to snood. Turn in top edge of fur elastic behind the edge with a crochet and stitch down lightly.



The hat has the new tilted-forward line and a tidy, becoming snood. The astrakhan wool looks exactly like fur. The bag is as strong as it is smart.

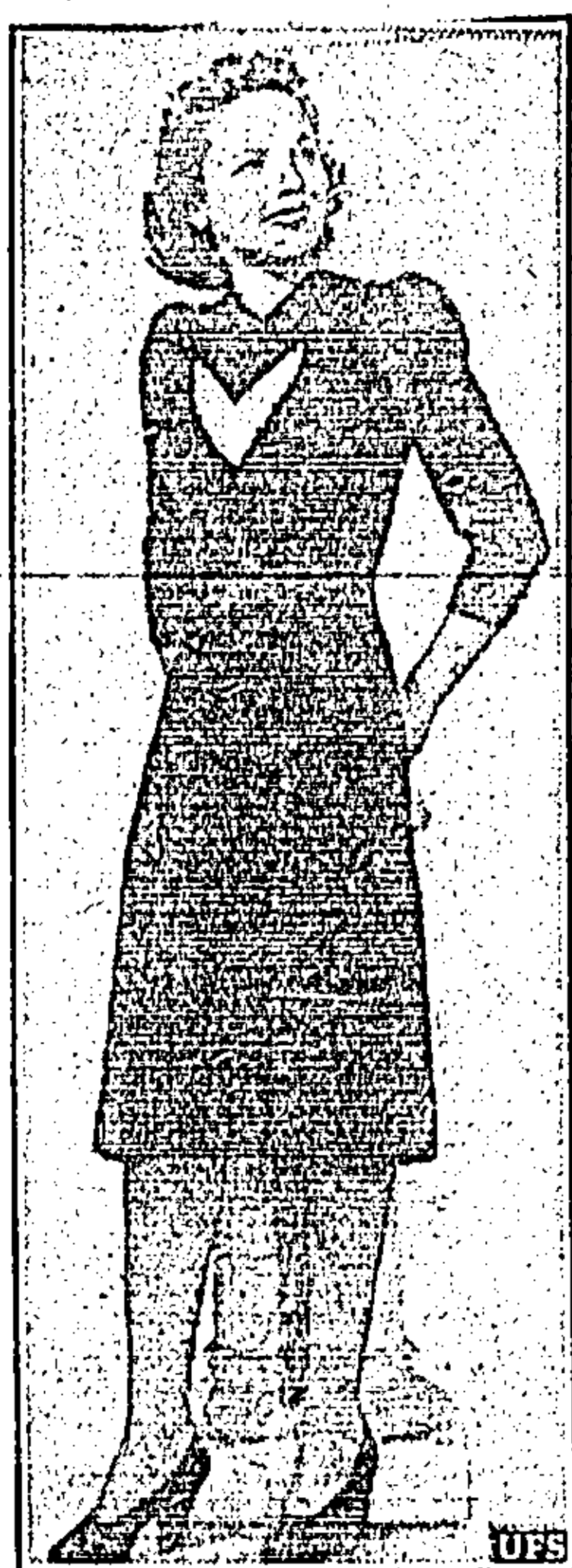
BAG

YOU need 2ozs. W.B. Kwiknit astrakhan wool (squirrel), 1oz. 4-ply fingering red, 1 pair No. 6 needles, 1 pair No. 10 needles, 7-inch zip fastener. Sheet of cardboard pliable enough to bend without cracking. One yard wool braid about 1in. wide.

WITH No. 6 needles and astrakhan wool cast on 31 sts. Work 4 rows s.s. 5th row: Inc 1 st at beg and middle of row. 3 rows s.s. 9th row: Inc 1 st at middle and end of row. 3 rows s.s. Repeat from 5th row until there are 43 sts. Continue until all wool is used up. Finish off neatly. Join in 4-ply wool and cast off very loosely.

LINING

With No. 10 needles and 4-ply wool cast on 75 sts. Work 4 rows s.s. Increase as for fur case until there are 95 sts, but work 5-rows s.s. between each increase row. Work 2 rows s.s. Cast off. Make two rounds for the base. Cast on 12 sts, work in s.s. Increase 1 st at beg of every row until there are 32 sts. Work three rows without shaping. Decrease 1 st at beg of every row until there are 12 sts. Cast off.



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Left-Over Meats Make Chop Suey

By JUDITH WILSON

LOW-COST meals are needed more than ever at present to bring depressed budgets back into line. And the more expensive dishes there are in your recipe file, the easier this task is going to be. Thrifty dishes can, and should, be nutritious, filling and yet look appetizing when they come to the table.

Meat is not only a popular food but contains body-building material necessary in a well-balanced diet. An attractive way of getting meat into the menu economically is to broil ground beef patties, either plain or wrapped in bacon. A T-bone shaped steak of chopped beef may be similarly prepared and served with broiled tomatoes or onions. Ground lamb shoulder made into like lamb chops is another thrifty idea which everyone is sure to like.

Left-over lamb, veal, pork or beef may be shredded and used in a savory chop suey dish as follows.

CHOP SUEY

1 to 2 cups shredded cooked meat
2 tablespoons fat
1 green pepper, shredded
2 cups onion, shredded
2 cups celery, shredded
2 cups thin gravy
2 cups sliced raw carrot or radishes

Brown the shredded meat in 1 tablespoon of fat. Cook green pepper and onions separately for a few minutes in the second tablespoon of fat. To this add meat, celery and thin gravy (meat broth or water may be used in place of gravy). Cover and cook slowly for 5 minutes. If the mixture needs thickening, add a little flour or cornstarch mixed with cold water, and cook a few minutes longer. Then add sliced raw carrot or sliced radishes. Season to taste with soy sauce and salt, and serve at once with flaky boiled rice.

SCALLOPED SAUSAGE WITH POTATOES AND ONIONS

6 uncooked potatoes
1 1/2 cups pork sausage meat
1 cup thinly sliced onions
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon pepper
2 tablespoons butter
2 cups milk
Parsley

Slice potatoes very thin. Arrange alternate layers of sausage, onions and potatoes in buttered casserole. Season. Cover with milk. Dot with butter and bake in moderate oven (375 degrees F.) for 1 1/2 hours. Deck with parsley.

MEAT BALLS IN TOMATO SAUCE

1 1/2 lbs. ground beef
1 small onion, chopped fine
Salt and pepper
2 tablespoons fat
1 small can tomato soup

Combine meat, onion and seasonings. Form mixture into balls and fry in skillet with hot fat until nicely browned on both sides. Add tomato soup and simmer, or bake slowly in a moderate oven (375 degrees F.) until sauce is thick and creamy, about 30 minutes.

ONE-EGG CAKE

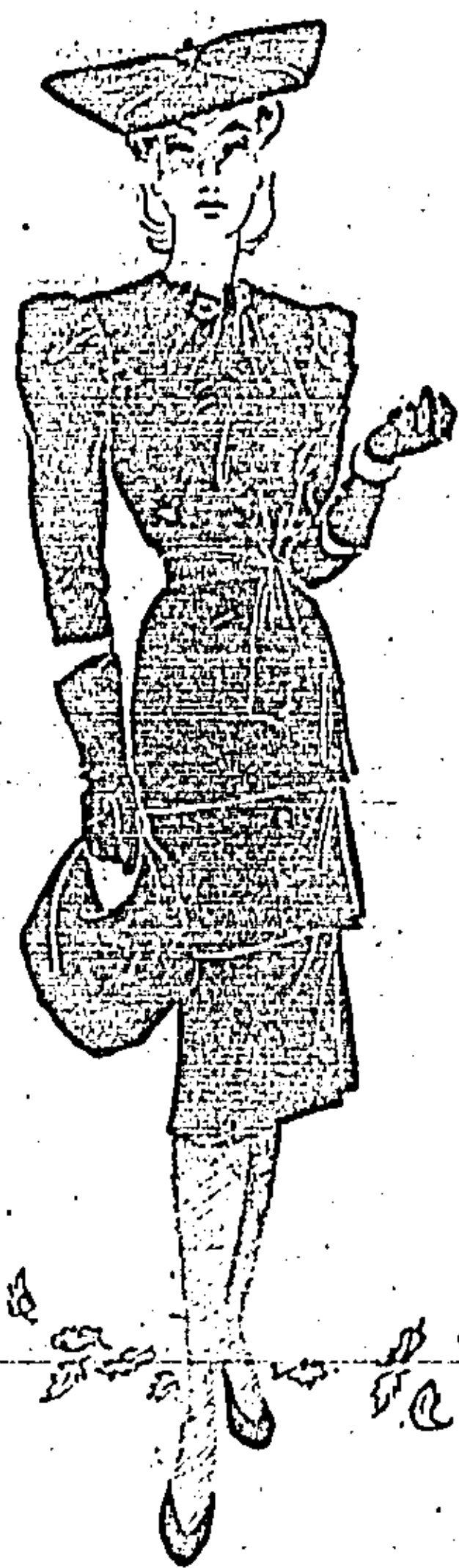
2 cups sifted cake flour
2 teaspoons double-acting baking powder
1/4 teaspoon salt
4 tablespoons butter or other shortening

To measured sifted flour, add baking powder and salt, and sift together three times. Cream the shortening thoroughly. To this add sugar gradually, creaming together until blended and light. Add egg and beat thoroughly. Add flour, alternately with milk, a small amount at a time, beating until smooth after each addition. Add vanilla. Bake in two greased 8-inch layer pans, or greased cup cake pans in moderate oven (375 degrees F.) 25 minutes, or until done.

LUSCIOUS LEMON FROSTING

1 tablespoon grated orange rind
3 tablespoons butter
3 cups sifted confectioners' sugar
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1 tablespoon water
Dash of salt

Combine orange rind and butter, creaming well. Add part of sugar gradually, blending after each addition. Combine lemon juice and water. Add to creamed mixture, alternately with remaining sugar, until of right consistency to spread. Beat smooth after each addition. Add salt; cool, then spread over cake.



The slim silhouette, a tiered dress in mossy rayon crepe, black of course.

Crossword Puzzle

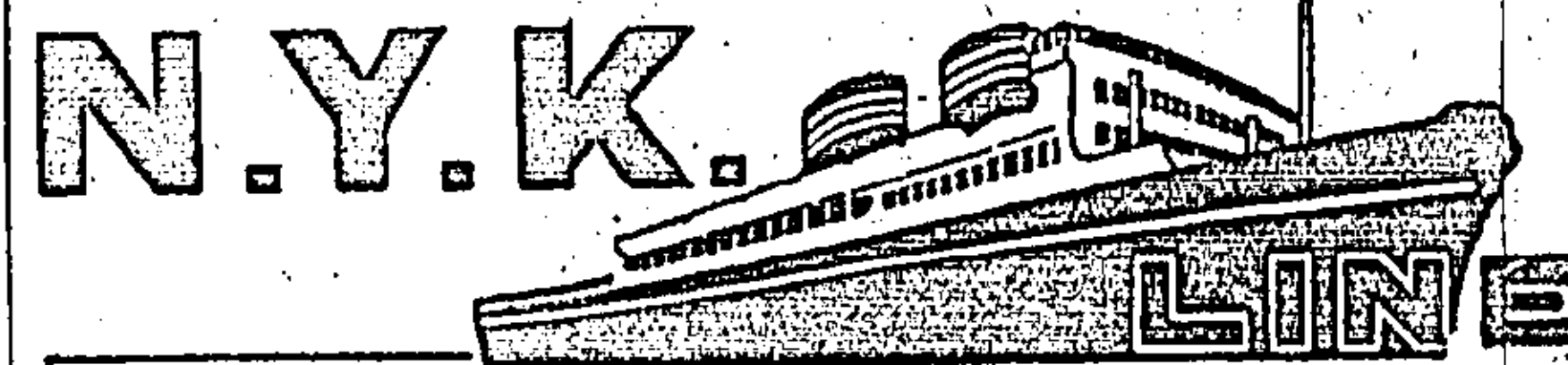
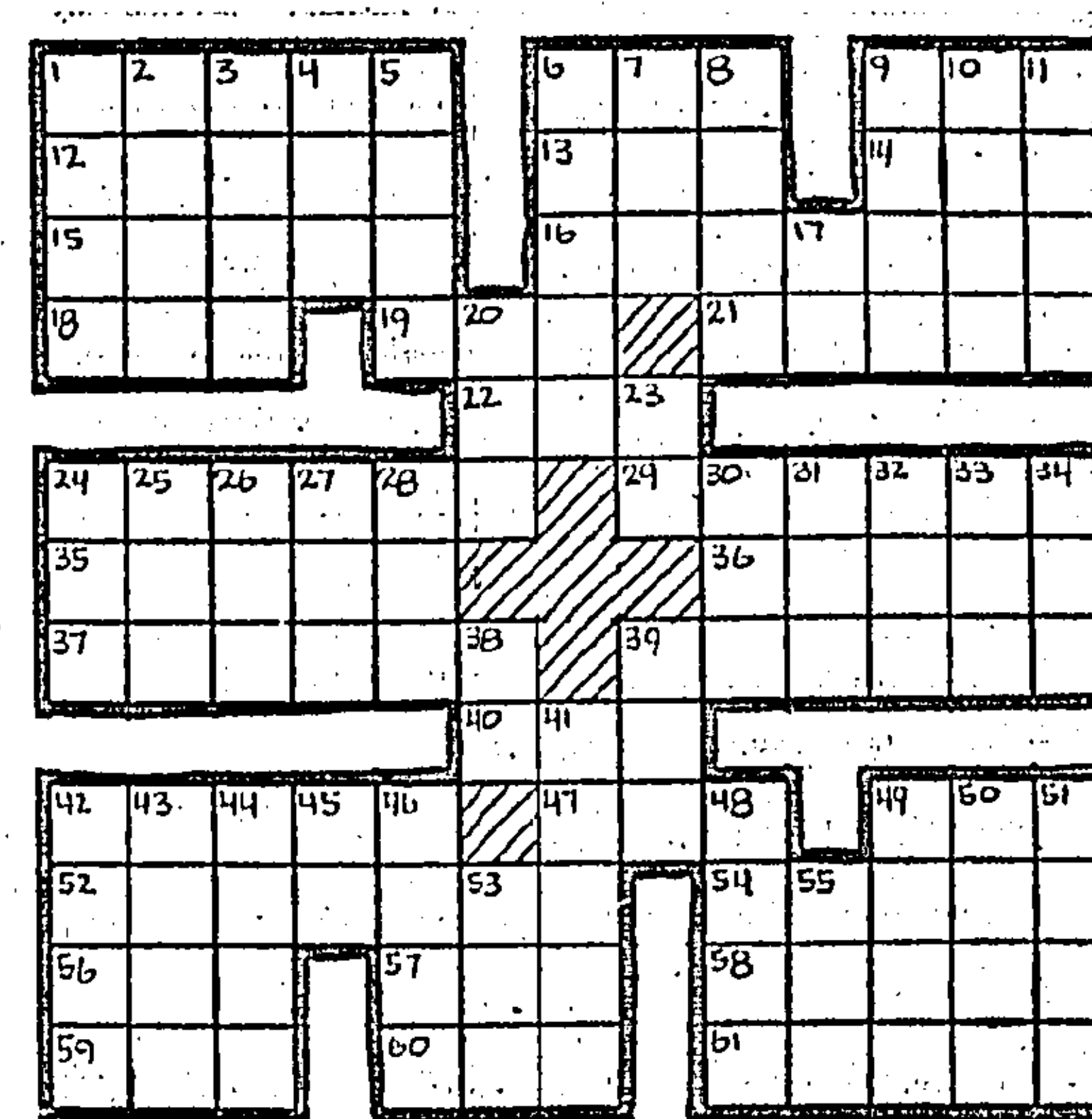
By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

- The Devil
- Isle
- Ill
- Make a speech
- Arabian name
- Butter; adherent of
- One with toothsome disease
- Roman household gods
- Compass point
- Age
- Occurrence
- Reverence
- Building material
- Leaf
- Angry
- Island
- Holds back
- Island
- Exclamation
- Shaped
- Heath
- Constellation
- Belonging to knot
- French
- Anger
- Pat
- Cover

DOWN

- Bottom of shoe
- God of war
- Strip of cloth
- Devoured
- Roman emperor
- Belonging to Pope
- Island (French)
- Strong
- Ceremony
- Isle
- Announcement
- Thoroughfare
- Alibi
- Receptacle
- God (Hebrew)
- Spanish hero
- Isle
- Nicknames (French)
- Creek letter
- Head of a marshal
- Friend (French)
- Island in god
- Unmistakable
- Obscene
- Thin
- Large beetle
- Tharpenn
- Way of mouth
- One of Caesar's three wives
- Nature
- Role of scale
- Alfred King
- Presently
- Island port
- Destroy
- Drinks
- Epoch
- Japanese ash



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Every housewife likes a stock of tomatoes, 1lb. brown sugar, one large onion, 1 teaspoonful each of ground ginger, allspice and mustard seed, ten cloves, one quart vinegar. Peel tomatoes and cut up; bring to boil with spices and vinegar; add onion and sugar; cook slowly for two hours. Remove onion and seal bottles.

HERE are some good preserves which need very little sugar, and they use up things that are cheap now, even if you aren't able to get them from the garden.

PICCALILLI uses up the odds and ends of cauliflowers, ridge cucumbers, vegetable marrow, onions, french beans, green or red tomatoes. Cut up vegetables into neat pieces. Cover with layer of salt overnight. Drain well and pour over them boiling water through colander. Spread on cloth to drain. For mixture:—Half a cup of dry mustard, 1 1/2 cups of brown sugar, 1 1/4 cups of flour, 2 quarts vinegar. Mix with a little cold vinegar to a smooth paste. Add rest of vinegar boiling and cook until smooth and creamy. Arrange vegetables in bottle and pour over them the hot sauce. Cayenne or ginger may be added to taste.

GREEN TOMATO CHUTNEY is a good way of using up small green tomatoes. 3 1/2 lbs. Boil until soft, stirring frequently.

APPLE CHUTNEY needs very little sugar if dates and stoned large raisins are used. One quart vinegar, 4lbs. apples, 2ozs. salt, one ounce ground ginger, 1/2lb. brown sugar, 3/4lb. large raisins, 1/4 or 1/2lb. dates, 1oz. mustard seed in a bag, 1lb. onions. Cut up apples; chop raisins and onions; boil all ingredients together until tender and of a good brown colour.

CORFU PICKLE, with its mixture of apples and onions, is good with cold pork. Chop 2lbs. apples, 1 1/2lbs. onions, and ten seeded chilli pods. Pour over them one pint of vinegar which has been boiled with 1/2lb. of white sugar. Let the pickle cool for six hours before bottling.

BEETROOT CHUTNEY is economical. 3lbs. beetroot, two large onions, 1 1/2lbs. apples, half teaspoonful ground ginger, one pint vinegar, 1/2lb. Demerara sugar, juice of one lemon. Boil beetroot one and a half hours, cool and peel; put through mincer with apples and onions. Add all the other ingredients with one tablespoonful of salt.

NANCY



CHAMPAGNE PARTY

LEON filled their glasses. "Darling," he said, "the only thing that will be over on Thursday is the law suit. There will be no Thursday for us—not next week or any week. We won't let it happen. I'll tear it out of the calendar..."

"Wonderful," she breathed, touched by his sincerity, "if one could believe it."

"You must, darling."

She lifted her glass. "To the loveliest story I ever heard."

As they drank, the orchestra started to play, and Ninotchka, fearful of the emotional path into which the conversation had strayed, suggested, "shall we dance?"

She had taken but a few steps in the waltz when the effect of the unaccustomed champagne made itself felt. "Oo-oh, darling!" she said tipsily. "Something is the matter."

"You just made the trip from goats to grapes a little too quickly."

"Oh, everything is so wonderful! Thursday's getting further and further away."

"Yes, don't worry. Everything will be all right."

"Comrades! comrades!" cried Ninotchka gaily, addressing the crowd on the dance floor.

"Darling! Darling!" besought the embarrassed Leon. "Please!"

"I must talk to my brothers. I am People. I want to make a speech. I want to overthrow the Duchess."

"But, darling, you can't do that," he said, urging her off the dance floor towards the door to the powder room.

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SHE resisted. "Comrades! Good people of France! They are all Duchesses here, Leon. Thousands of Duchesses, and I am going to tell them—"

"Quite right, yes, yes," agreed Leon, now that he had almost reached the powder room. "but first you are going in that door and you are going to take a little spirit of ammonia and lie down."

"No speech?" she asked sweetly.

"No speech, darling."

"I love you, my little Leon-itchka!"

"And I adore you, Ninotchka. Now in with you!"

She went unsteadily through the door, and he repaired to the bar, ordered a double brandy and tossed it off. He had been at

the bar but a few minutes when the manager of the night club came up to him in great excitement.

"I'm very sorry, Count d'Algot, it is most embarrassing, but the lady you brought with you is spreading communistic propaganda in the powder room."

Leon stared, then ordered another double brandy. "What can I do about it?"

"She's inciting the attendants to go on strike. She has been asked to leave, without success. We would appreciate it if you would see to it yourself."

"You want me to go in there?"

"I'm sorry, but I must insist that you get her out."

It was some hours later that Leon and Ninotchka, both very tipsy, entered the Royal Suite at the Hotel Clarence.

Leon carried a bottle of champagne with a napkin about it. They reached a couch and sank down on it. Ninotchka moved up close to Leon.

"Are we going to build our little house?" she asked happily.

"Yes, a little white house."

"Not white darling. Don't let's have any colour. No colour. Just a house. Let's form our own party."

"Right! Lovers of the world, unite!"

"And we won't stretch up our arms and clench our fists."

"No, no."

"And our salute will be a kiss, won't it, Leon?"

"Yes, a kiss. Salute!"

She sank into his arms and kissed him, murmuring: "I am so happy. No one can be so happy without being punished. I will be punished and I should be punished."

She got up suddenly. "I want to confess, darling."

"I know. It's the Russian soul."

"I am a traitor. When I kissed you I betrayed the Russian ideal. Leon, stand me up against the wall."

"All right, if that'll make you happier." He led her to one end of the room, still lugging the champagne bottle, stood her against the wall, covered her eyes with the napkin from the bottle. Then he walked away, starting to extract the cork.

There was a sudden pop, and Ninotchka sank into chair, saying happily: "I have paid the penalty. Now let's have some music."

"Let's turn on the radio," he suggested.

"It's a little box, with a little knob you turn."

"She started to hunt, repenting. 'Little knob... little knob,' ended up in front of the safe. She opened the concealing door and saw the safe's dial. 'Here it is!'"

"What shall we get?" she asked. "The news?"

"No. We don't want to know what's going on. We want to be left alone, don't we?"

"Yes, sweetheart... all by ourselves."

"Well then," she said memory coming to her vaguely, "turn twice to the right and stop at seven."

THEY waited, but no sound came. Ninotchka said it was dead, but Leon insisted it took a while to warm up "like people. Like you and me. First you wanted to fight me and now wa-

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belong to the same party. Salute!"

They embraced again, and she said with vague happiness: "Now twice to the left and stop at seventeen."

He followed instructions and they found themselves staring into the open safe. "No music," she said, disappointed. "There they are. They are terrible things, these jewels."

"But big," he said.

"They are the tears of old Russia. See that one?"

"Who cried that one?"

"Czar Peter gave it to his wife. For it he sold 10,000 serfs."

"Don't say that, darling. Some day when I come home to you I may say, 'Darling, I drove Gascen to the market and look what I got for him!'"

He took from the jewels in the safe a beautiful diamond and held it in front of her. "Come, sweetheart, let me put it on you. You will teach those jewels. For the first time they will learn how they look."

"They belong to the People."

In a very ceremonial voice he said: "I give them back to the people. I make you Ninotchka the Great. Grand Duchess of the People!" He placed the diamond fumblingly on her head. "Is this the wish of the masses?" she asked, falling in with his imaginings.

"It is their wish."

"Thank you, Leon. Thank you, Leon. Can I make a speech now?"

"Please do."

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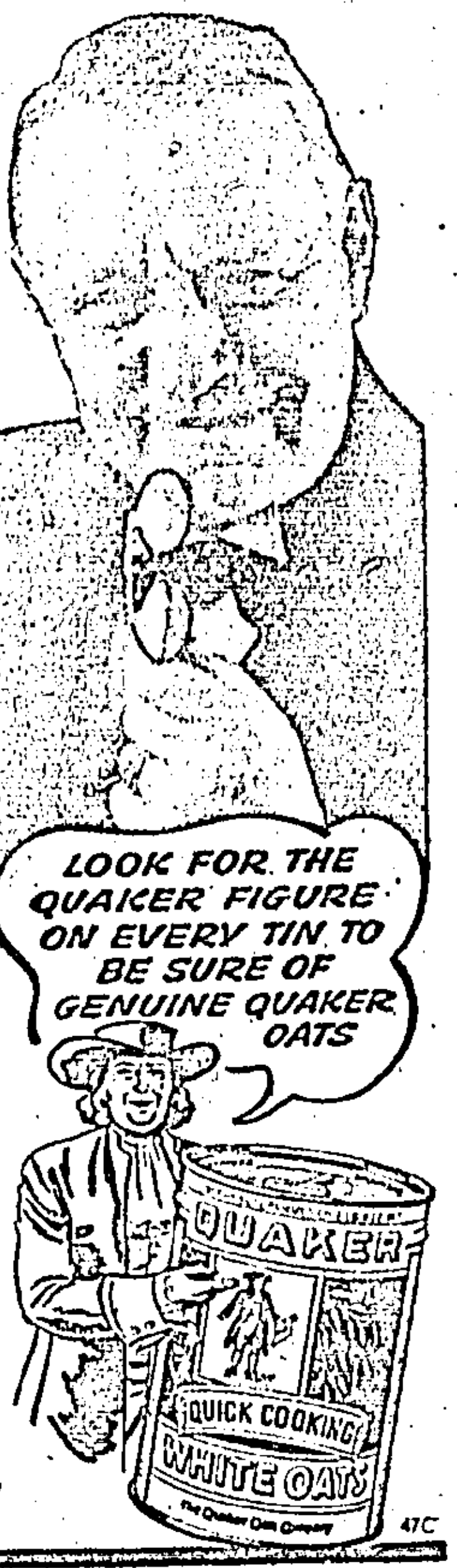
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HOSPITAL FAREWELL Dr. C. W. Lam and Mr. S. N. Chau Tendered Dinner

Nurses, dressers and other members of the Tung Wah Eastern Hospital and people from the Kwong Wah Hospital gathered at the former Hospital at Sookunpoo yesterday to bid farewell to Dr. C. W. Lam, Medical Superintendent of the Tung Wah, and Mr. Chau Shiu-ung, Chairman of the Board of Directors, who are leaving their posts shortly.

A dinner party was held in their honour and at the conclusion the Mr. Chau and Dr. Lam replied and Dr. G. H. Thomas also spoke.

TO-MORROW DICTATOR

OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"Captured" (Oriental, to-morrow): Not in any way meant as propaganda, but just the plain, straight-forward story of the brutality and horrors of a German prison camp. That, in a nutshell, sums up "Captured," the latest Warner Bros. war picture to be shown on the local screen. The film will be in the way of a Chinese New Year treat and will be shown at the Oriental Theatre at their ordinary popular film prices! When the Studio executives decided to make this picture, they were enterprising enough to yet touch with Sir Philip Gibbs, author of "Fellow Prisoners," from which the film was adapted, and the executives then went one better and filmed the picture exactly as it was related by Sir Philip.

We have all heard or read a lot about Nazi brutality. We have seen some examples on the screen. Some of us have even had the misfortune of having suffered first-hand from Nazism, but all this will pale into insignificance when compared with "Captured." It is the picture of the century and the management of the Oriental Theatre must be congratulated upon securing such a timely film for the public of Hongkong. Further recommendation, if indeed such is necessary, is that the leading roles be taken by Leslie Howard, Douglas Fairbanks, Jr. and Margaret Lindsay.

"Hardy's Ride High" (Queen's and Alhambra): In this episode the now celebrated American family fall heir to fortune, with strange effects on each member. One of the funniest sequences shows Micky Rooney in a night club, registering all emotions from astonishment and incredulity to adolescent joy.

"They Made Me a Criminal" (King's): John Garfield, rising movie actor, in a story about a pupil suspected of murder and believed to have been killed in a car accident. A fruit march in the West provides opportunity for his regeneration. Also in the cast are the "Dead End" kids, May Robson, Claude Rains and Gloria Dickson.

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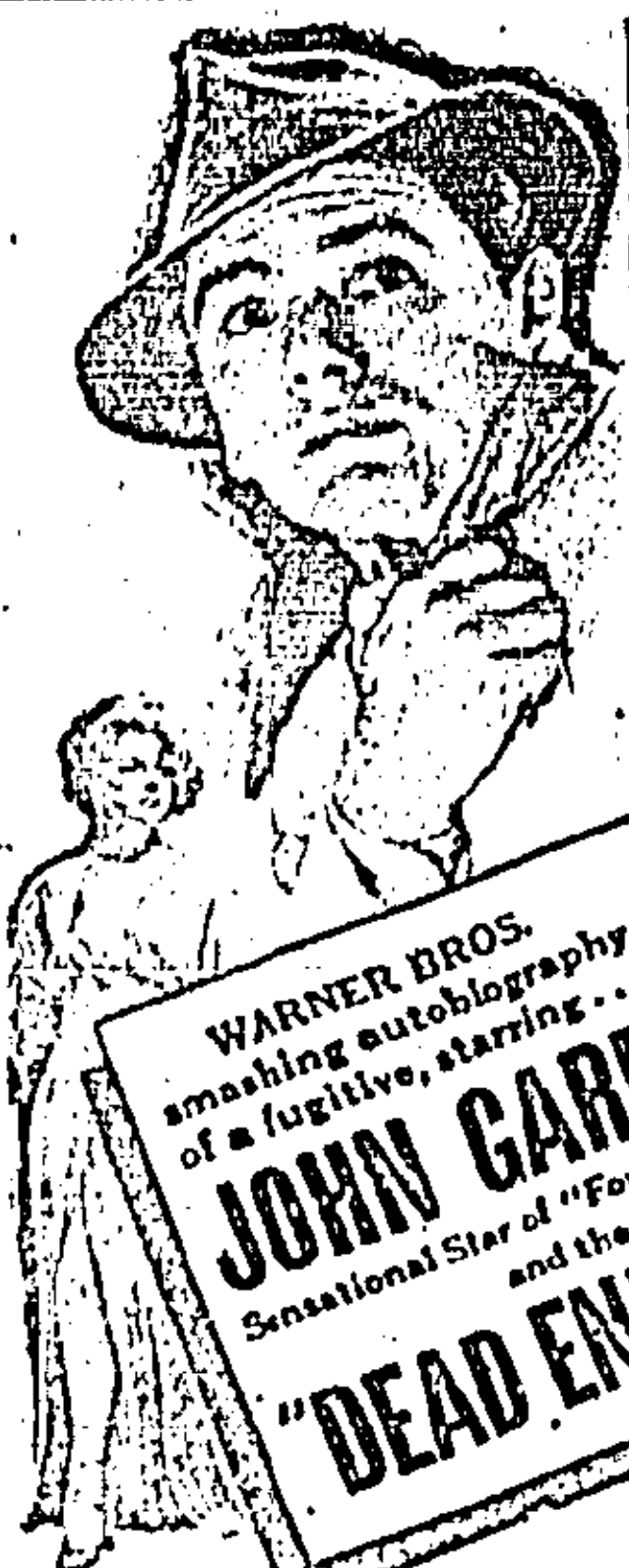
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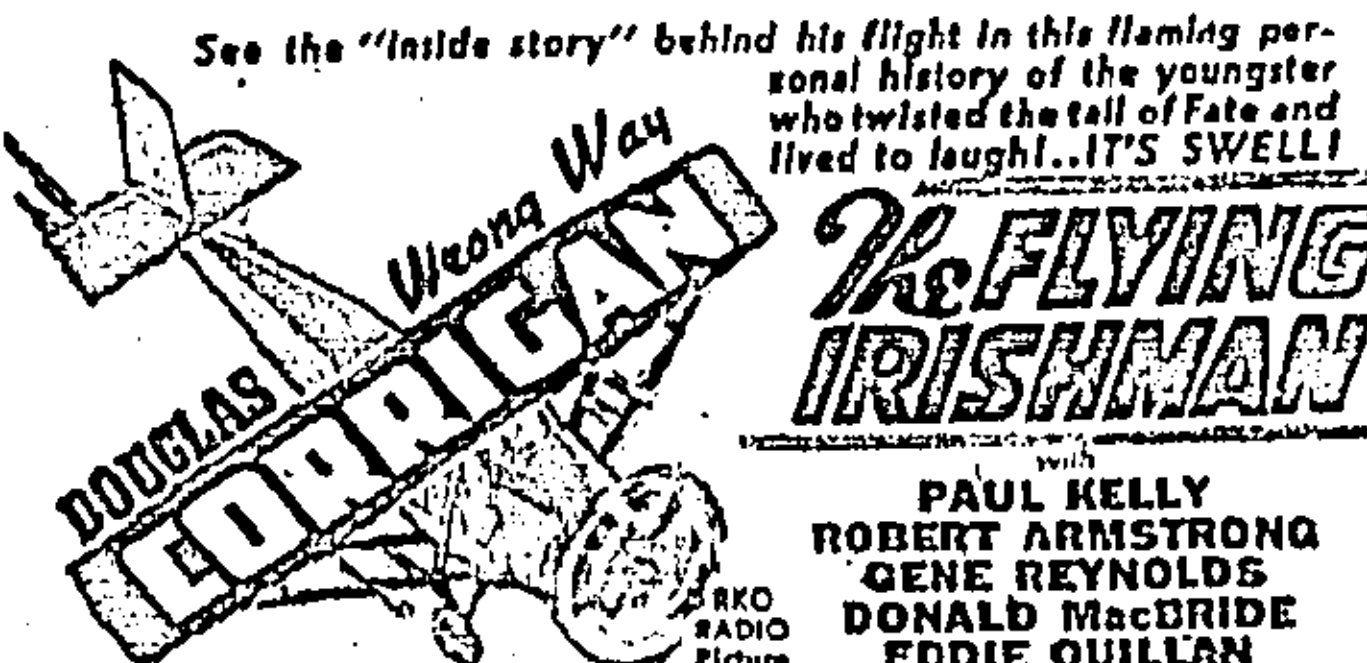
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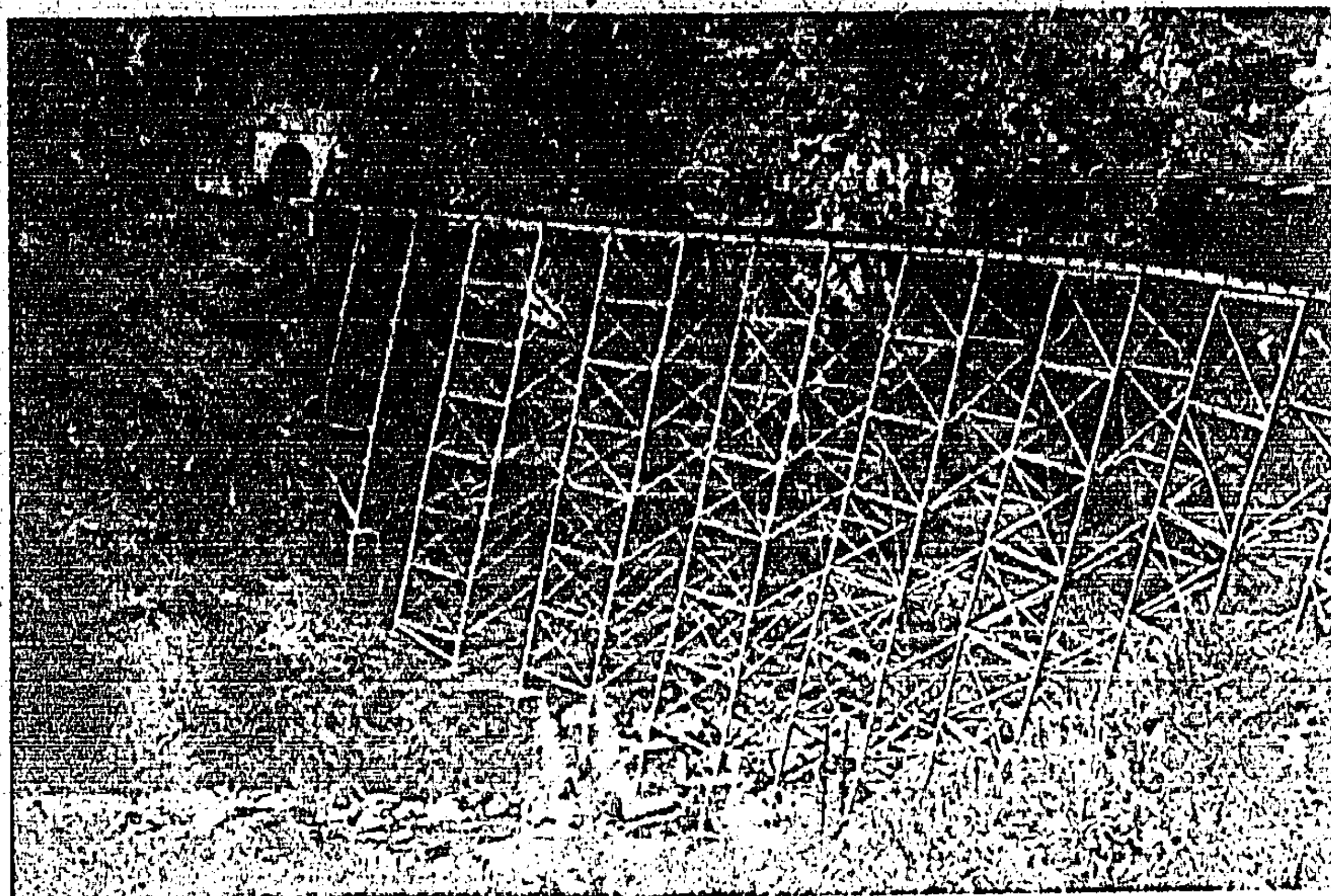
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SCENE OF YUNNAN RAILWAY BOMBING.—This exclusive photograph shows the lattice bridge and tunnel on the Yunnan Railway, bombed by Japanese planes as a train was passing en route to French Indo-China.

A passenger carriage was completely destroyed by a bomb, which struck the train just as it was entering the tunnel shown above. Latest estimates are that the dead and injured total between 200 and 300.

Those known to be killed exceed 110 and include about ten foreigners, including Madame Daviet, wife of a French Railway Inspector, and their daughter and son.

Veterans Press For Independence

Manila, Feb. 5.
The Philippine Veterans' Association, at its annual convention voted as being in favour of early independence and condemned the proposal of re-examination as a "betrayal."
The President of the Association, General Emilio Aguinaldo, expressed the hope that the Japanese-American relations would be smoothed out. "Should difficulties break out before we have our independence, there is every danger that we might not get it and it might bring forth a new master," he declared. "This is the chief reason why we are reiterating that America should grant us our freedom—the earlier the better."
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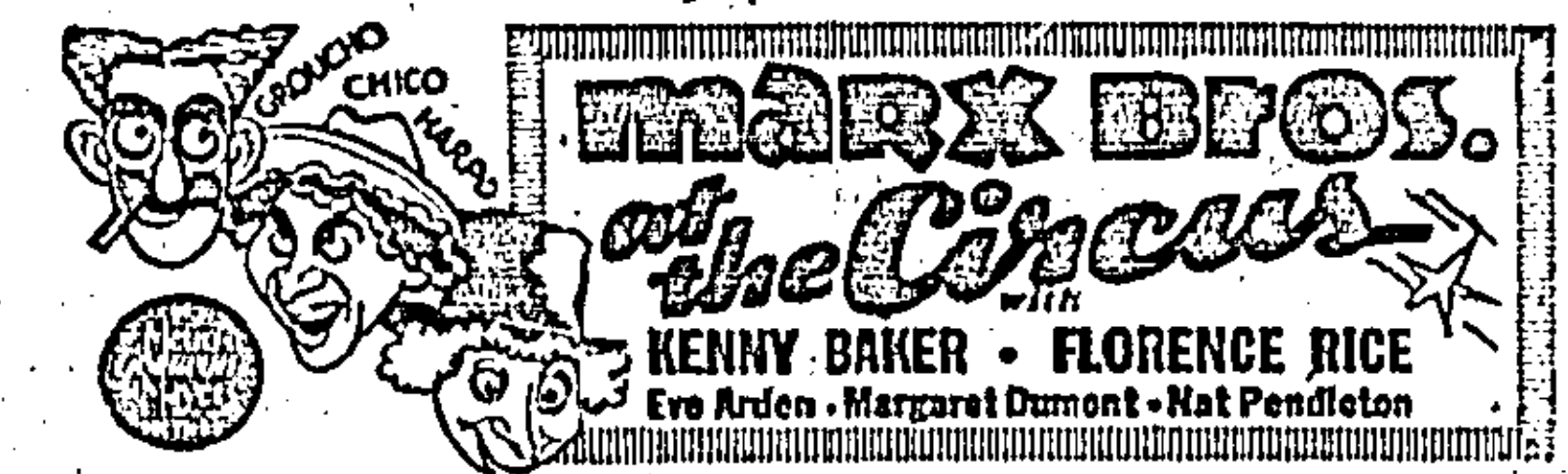
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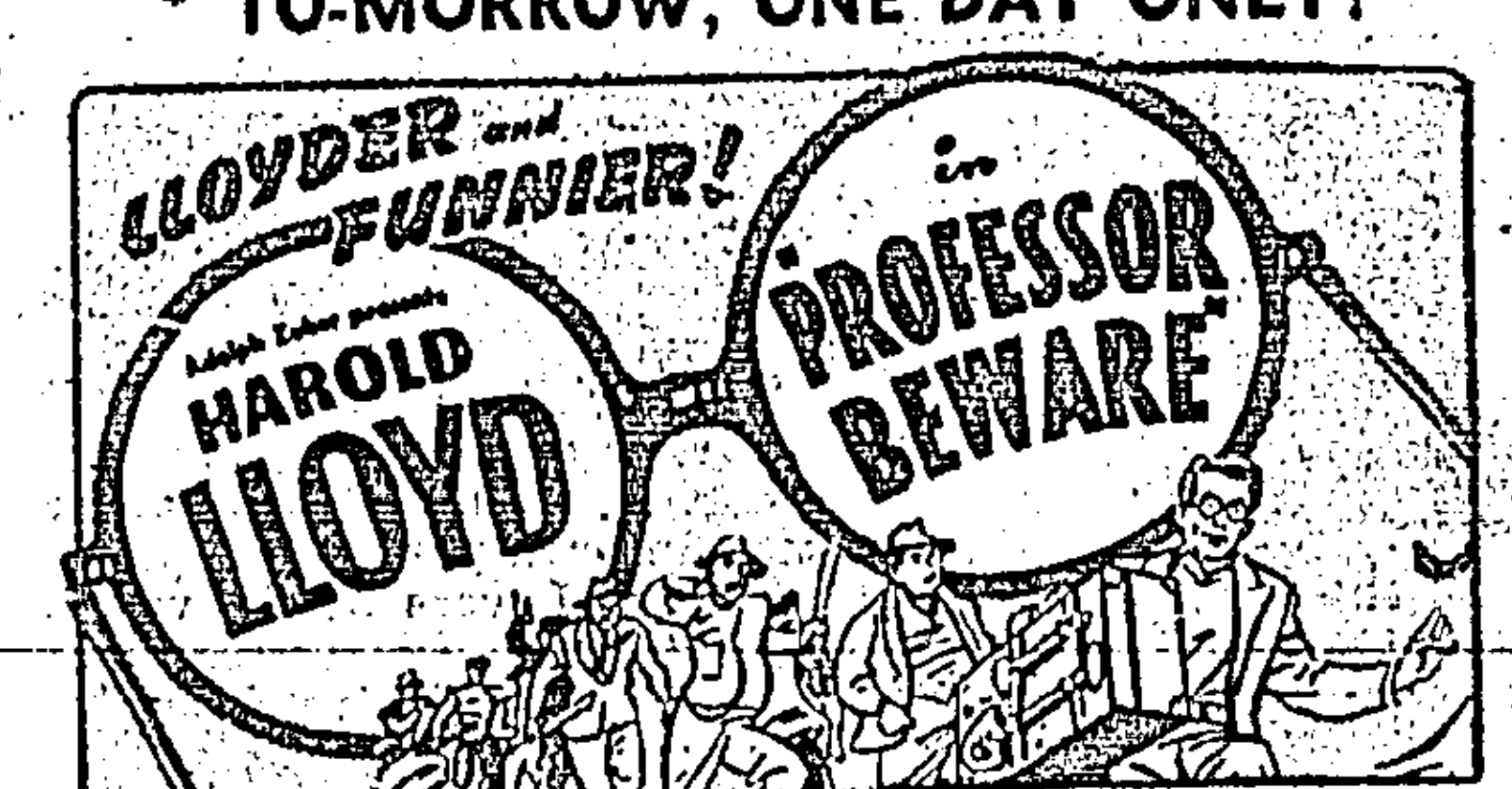
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18th Red Division Wiped Out: Soviet Offensive Fails

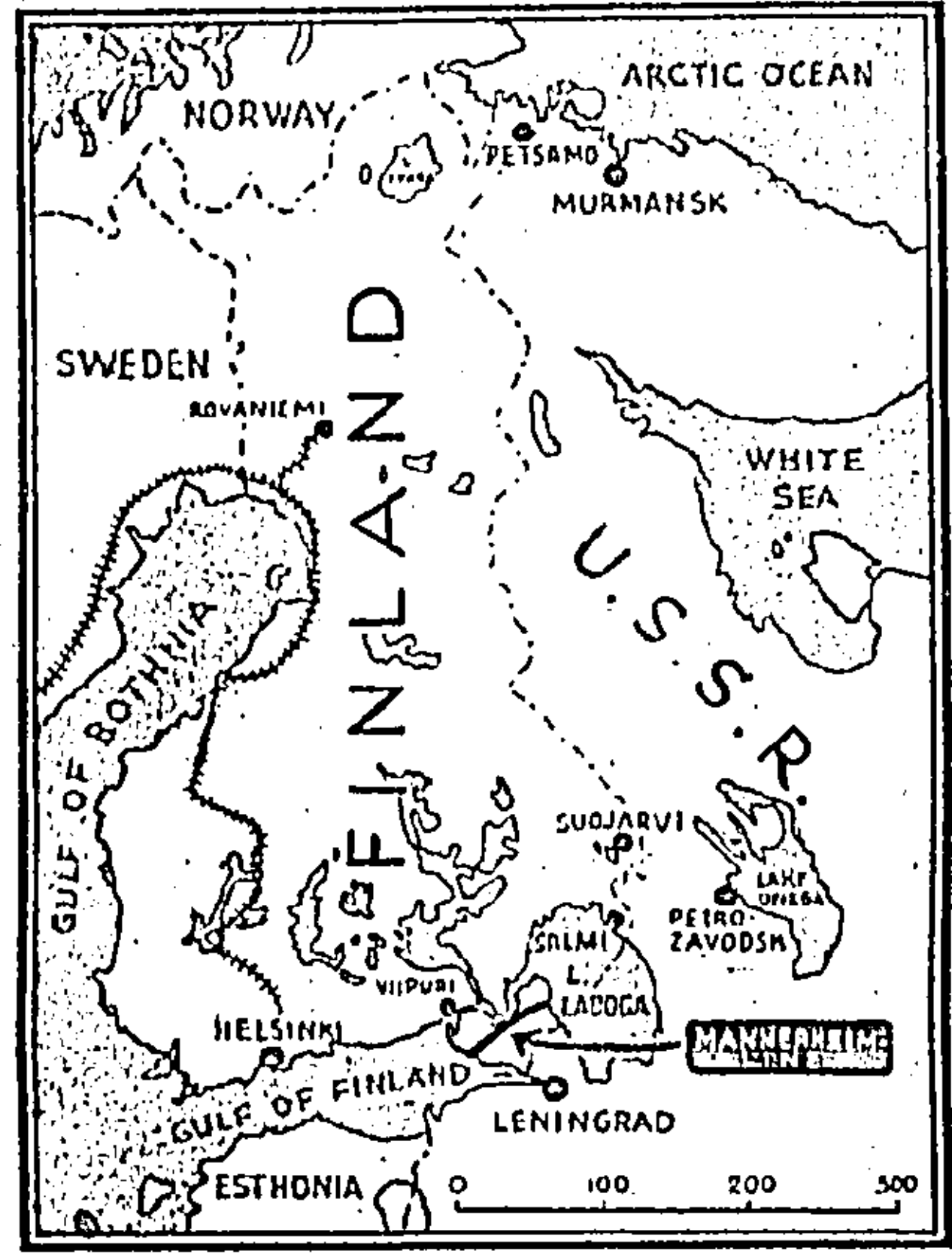
RUSSIA OVERWHELMED BY ANOTHER DISASTER

PRES. QUEZON WRECK DRAMA PHOTOS.

No Sharp American Protests

NEW YORK, Feb. 5 (Reuter).— A decision to refrain, as far as is possible, from sending any more sharp notes to Britain over neutrality questions has been reached by the Administration, according to an "Associated Press" Washington dispatch.

THE NEW RUSSIAN ATTEMPT TO SMASH THE FINNISH DEFENCES ALONG THE MANNERHEIM LINE, WHICH RUNS ACROSS THE KARELIAN ISTHMUS FROM THE GULF OF FINLAND TO LAKE LADOGA, AND AGAINST WHICH THE REDS HAVE HURLED ALL THEIR MIGHT IN TEN WEEKS OF ABORTIVE EFFORT, HAS FAILED.



The big offensive, which was launched last week, is fading away. New disaster has overwhelmed the Russian forces which were attempting to flank the famous Finnish "Manner Line" by driving behind it north of Lake Ladoga.

According to reports reaching Helsingfors (quoted by "Reuter"), the entire 18th Division of the Red Army has been virtually wiped out. A division numbers approximately 15,000 men.

The Russians have been completely dispersed, leaving between 1,500 and 1,600 casualties—either killed, captured or died of cold and hunger.



DRAMATIC PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE WRECK OF THE PRESIDENT QUEZON.—A water-logged lifeboat, (above) loaded with survivors, coming alongside a Japanese rescue ship. LEFT—The President Quezon, stern low down in the water, photographed shortly before she broke up.—Domei Photos.

HONGKONG NAVAL OFFICER LOST

53 Missing As Minesweeper Founders

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Feb. 5 (UP).—Among the five officers and 49 ratings lost aboard the 875-ton mine-sweeper H.M.S. Sphinx, which foundered in heavy weather after being damaged in the big Nazi air raids on shipping on Saturday, was Commander J. R. N. Taylor, formerly of Hongkong.

Commander Taylor and four ratings are officially reported dead. Four other Officers and 45 ratings are reported missing. Six Officers and 44 ratings have been landed at an English port. H.M.S. Sphinx was one of several vessels attacked by the Nazi planes during Saturday's raids.

She was damaged by a German bomb, but not sufficiently to sink her, and arrangements were immediately made to tow her into port.

During the tow, however, the weather became increasingly bad and the ship suddenly foundered. Only 50 of the crew were picked up from the icy water and it is feared that all hope for the rest must be abandoned.

Commander Taylor was in command of H.M.S. Delight on China Station.

Resided in Kowloon. He resided at the Arlington Hotel in Mody Road, Kowloon, with his wife. They left Hongkong for England in April last year.

Commander Taylor, who was promoted on June 30, 1933, was appointed to H.M.S. Delight on April 9, 1937 and brought the destroyer to Hongkong in 1938 shortly after she was re-commissioned.

He was previously in command of H.M. minesweeper Abingdon, with the 2nd Minesweeping Flotilla in the Mediterranean. Earlier, he took a course at the Staff College at Andover.

H.M.S. Sphinx is the 23rd naval vessel lost in the war. She was a comparatively new ship, being commissioned in December, 1938 under the 1937 Estimates. She cost £100,000 to build and was named after a well-known minesweeper which served throughout the 1840-46 war. The normal complement was 100 men, and Sphinx was armed with one 4-in. gun and a 4-in. anti-aircraft gun.

GERMAN PLANS SHELVED

No New Taxation For Time Being

ZURICH, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—A Berlin telegram to the "Neue Deutsche Zeitung" says that all new taxation and war economy plans, which were ventilated in Germany last month, have been shelved for the time being.

It is considered psychologically unwise to place fresh burdens on the public while they are suffering from the present shortage of coal, potatoes, vegetables and fruit.

The dispatch adds that the difficult problem of financing the war thus remains unsolved, with the result that signs of inflation are becoming more and more evident.

Despite control, prices and wages are going up and the shortage of goods has given place to a flourishing "black market" in which objects change hands at prices far above normal.

Espionage Scare In Switzerland

BERNE, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—A woman of foreign nationality living at a hotel at Lausanne was arrested in connection with a Swiss espionage case, according to the Lausanne "Gazette".

Another woman, believed to be a German, living in Basle, and a man were arrested at a hotel in Olten yesterday on suspicion of spying.

The 18th Red Division has been marooned for a week at Kitlea, a city north-east of Lake Ladoga which the Russians captured early in the war, and where they were recently cut off when the Finns broke their lines of communications.

If the report of the defeat of this Russian spearhead is confirmed, the Finnish victory marks the culmination of the failure of the Russian attempt to outflank the Mannerheim Line, says "Reuter".

An official Finnish communiqué states that an additional 500 Russians were killed in a battle north of Lake Ladoga.

Russia is also meeting with disastrous reverses in the air, according to another "Reuter" message.

Confirmation has reached London of reports of the astonishing success of the Finnish Air Force since the addition of new speedy British and Italian pursuit planes has permitted them to meet the Russians on more equal terms.

It is estimated that the Russians have lost at least 240 planes against only 15 Finnish planes brought down. This fantastic ratio is a striking evidence that the much vaunted Red

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Cost Of Seat Slumps

Lowest Level In 32 Years

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—NEW YORK, Feb. 5 (UP).—The cost of becoming a member of the greatly-coveted New York Stock Exchange has slumped to its lowest level in 32 years.

The price, which reached as high as \$500,000 in 1918, slumped yesterday to \$40,000.

To-day's market price for membership is \$40,000 bid and \$50,000 asked. The 1918 price range was between \$80,000, which was an all-time high, and \$45,000.

If this low level is broken, the price for membership will be the lowest since 1910, one year after the Great War started, when a seat changed hands for \$30,000.

The price of membership on the Stock Exchange reflect the volume of business done more than they reflect the character of production or distribution of industry.

MAROONED ON ISLAND

Passengers Of Lost Plane Are Found

TAIHKU, Formosa, Feb. 6 (Domei).—The nine passengers and four members of the crew of the missing Douglas air-liner "Aso," which disappeared on Monday afternoon whilst en route across the China Sea from Fukuoka to Taihoku, have been found.

The air-liner made a forced landing on an uninhabited island in the Uvotauri group, midway between Taihoku and the Lochoos.

The wreckage was sighted by another Douglas air-liner which set out from Fukuoka to search for the "Aso."

The "Aso" is wrecked on the northern end of the island, which rises only a few feet out of the water and is composed only of coral.

All thirteen people are safe. They indicated their presence by waving portions of their clothing to the rescue plane.

Foodstuff and water was dropped by the rescue plane. Subsequently the Japanese freighter Keiun Maru, which was directed to the rescue by the rescue plane, arrived off the island.

Despite rough monsoonal weather, the ship is now attempting to land a rescue party by lifeboat.

O.S.K. START A NEW SERVICE

TOKYO, Feb. 6 (Domei).—The O.S.K. liner, Montevideo Maru, sailed from Yokohama on Monday as the first ship to run on the newly-opened eastward South American Line via Panama. The new service provides for six voyages in a year.

COLUMBUS PROTEST

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—A protest against the confinement of 512 sailors from the scuttled German liner, Columbus, on an island in San Francisco Bay has been voiced by the German Consulate.

The German Vice-Consul denounced the action of the United States emigration department in cancelling shore leave for the crew of the Columbus and has forwarded an official report to the German Embassy.

This may develop into an international incident if the German Embassy sends a formal protest to the Department of State.

POLES IN REVOLT

New Nazi Repressive Steps Foreshadowed

ZURICH, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—Disturbances in the southern part of German occupied Poland were reported by the Berlin correspondent of the "Basler Nachrichten" to-day.

This correspondent adds that similar disturbances, which occurred among Polish refugees in Vilna territory, were ascribed in Germany to "secret Allied influence."

The newspaper "Völkischer Beobachter" and other German news-

U.S. Fleet To Hold

Manoeuvre Will Test European Naval Methods

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 (UP).—Methods of warfare developed in the war in Europe are to be tested by the U.S. Grand Fleet during the forthcoming manoeuvres, which will be held in the Pacific Ocean in March.

The mimic war will last for two months.

The U.S. Naval High Command plans to deploy 130 warships and 350 warplanes in the exercises, which are designed to test the effectiveness of American defences in the light of the latest developments in the European War.

Tactics employed by the British and German Navy will be studied and employed in the U.S. manoeuvres.

Attack On Warships

The exercises will pay particular attention to the dangers of attack on warships by aircraft and submarine. In these two important factors, the Nazi U-boat campaign and aerial attacks on British shipping will provide precedents upon which the U.S. High Command will base its tactics.

The manoeuvres—officially designated as Fleet Problem No. 21—will be conducted in the greatest secrecy.

Area Not Revealed

All data, even to the exact extent of the area over which the fleet will manoeuvre, is being kept strictly confidential.

It is known, however, that the operations contemplate the division of the U.S. Fleet into two opposing forces.

Admiral Snyder, Commander-in-Chief of the U.S. Battle Fleet, will lead one force and will be opposed by Vice-Admiral Andrews.

papers give prominence to incidents in Vilna with the object, it is believed, of justifying a new series of oppressive measures in Poland. The severity of these measures is defended on the ground that Germany requires to ensure her security in the rear while she is at war with the Allies in the west.

LATEST

GERMANS TO BE RELEASED

Arita States Nine H.K. Internees To Be Freed

NINE OF THE twenty-one Germans who were taken off the Asama Maru by a British naval unit, and are now interned in Hongkong, are to be returned to Japan, according to a "Domei" message received from Tokyo just as this edition went to press.

Authority for this allegation is Mr. H. Arita, the Japanese Foreign Minister.

Mr. Arita told the Japanese Diet this morning that Britain, in addition to releasing nine of the 21 Germans, has expressed regret for the fact that the Asama Maru incident had aroused the feelings of the Japanese nation.

"Although a complete settlement of the incident has not yet been reached, negotiations have reached an important stage," Mr. Arita said.

He expressed the belief that the Asama Maru incident would not be paralleled in the future.

Japan, he said, intended to continue negotiations for the return of the remaining 12 Germans.

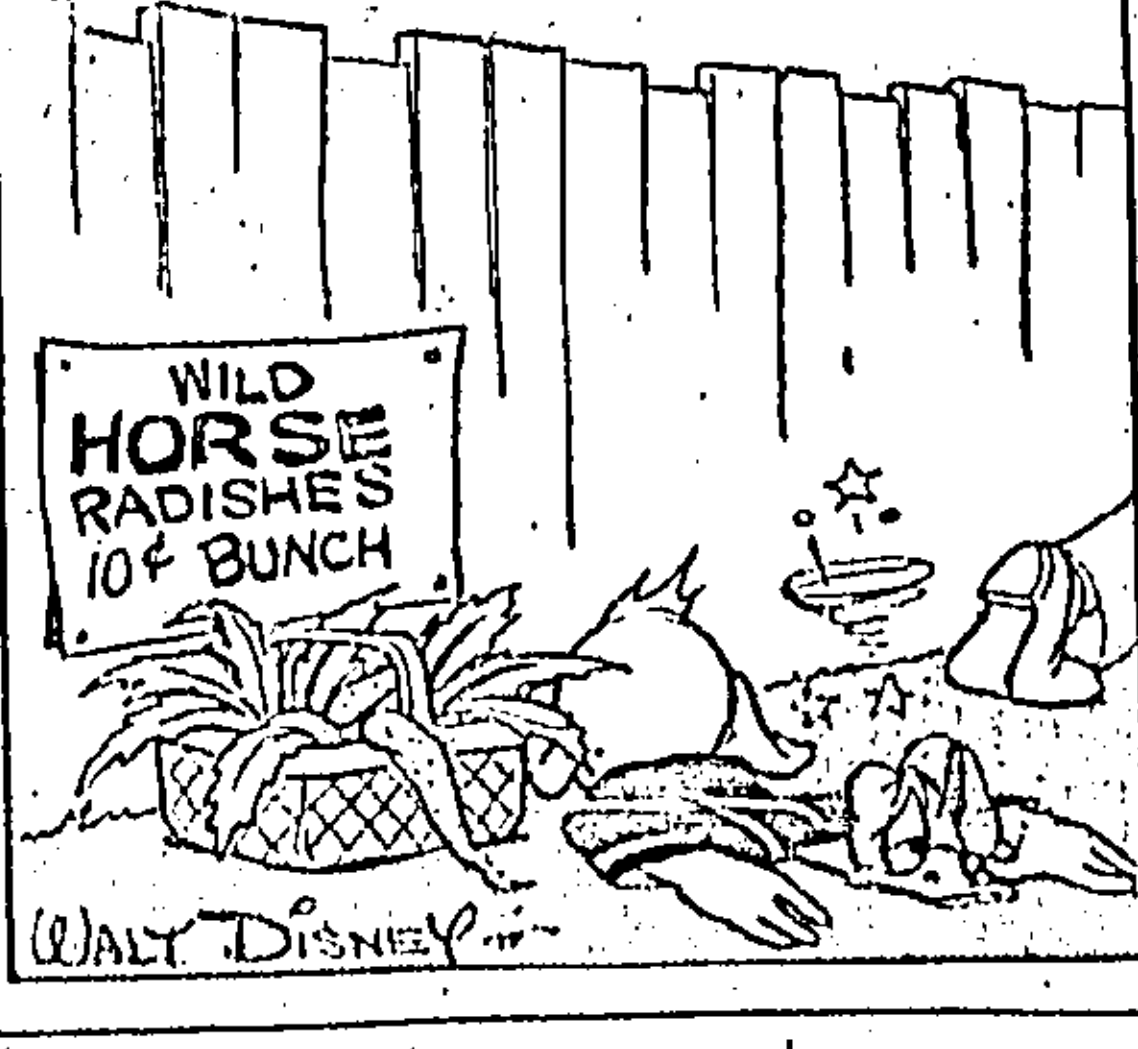
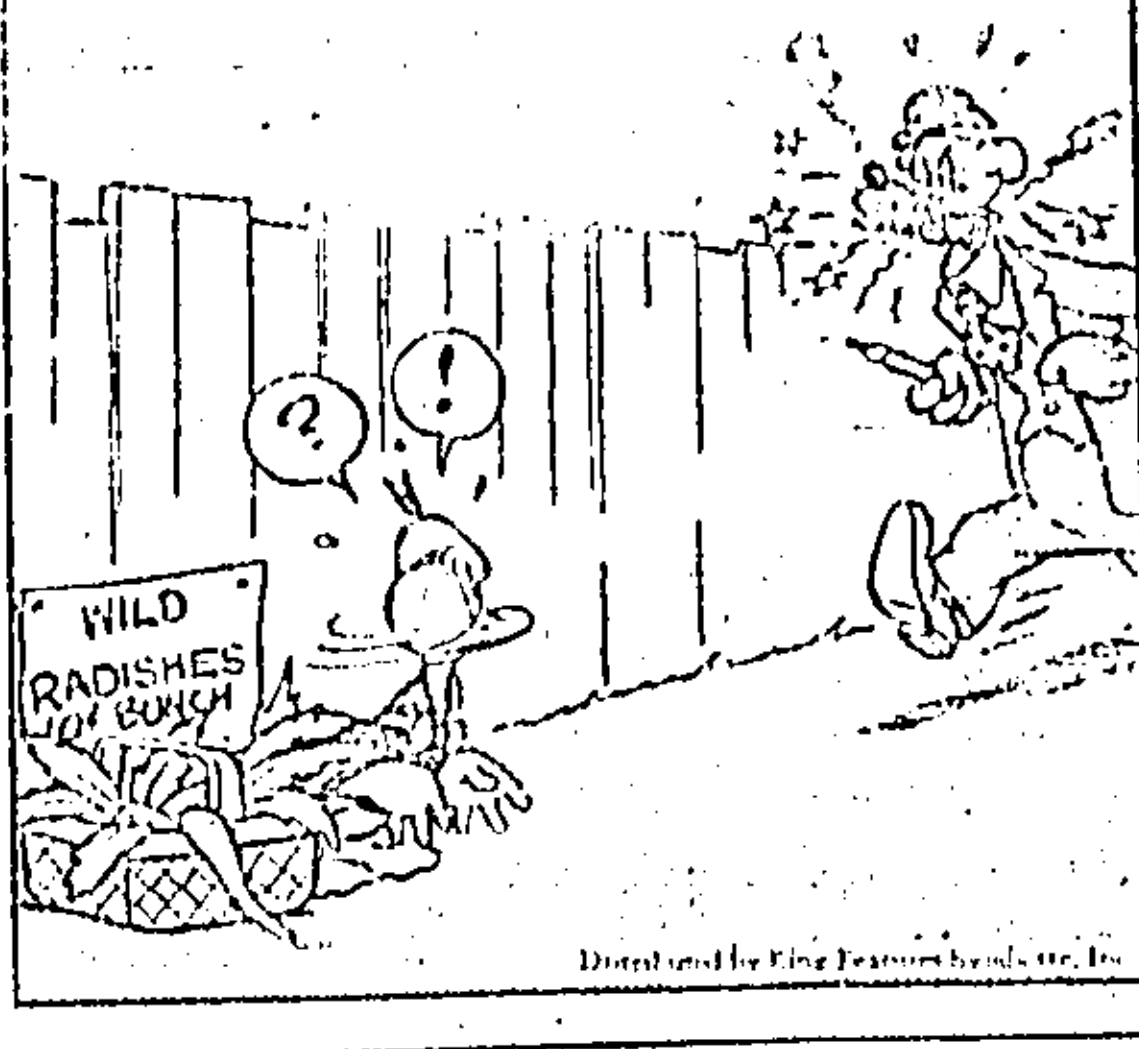
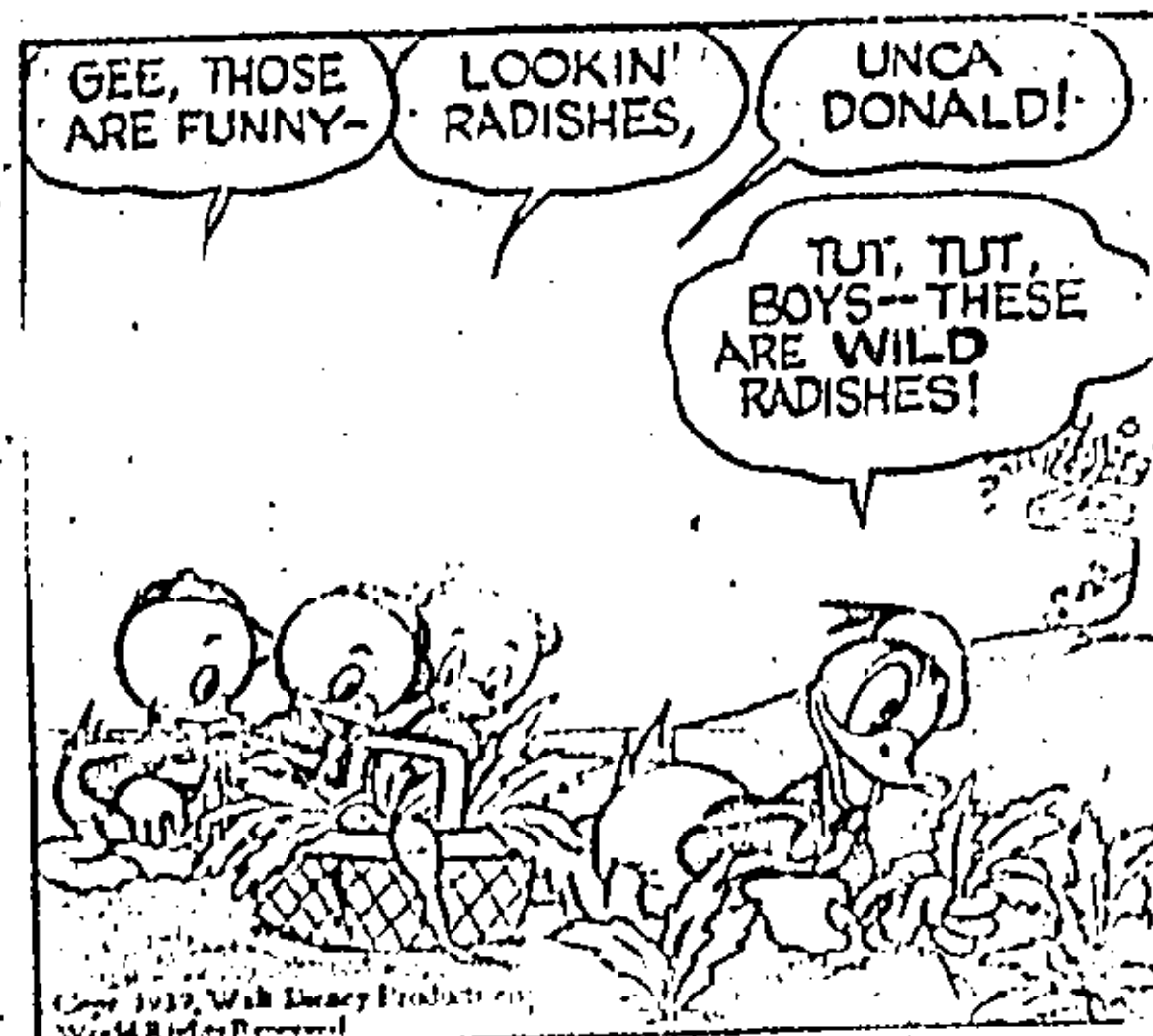
The nine Germans who are to be released are not closely connected with the Nazi military service, Mr. Arita said.

The British and Japanese Notes on the incident are to be made public simultaneously in London and Tokyo at 5 p.m. to-day.

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DONALD DUCK

By Walt Disney



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Donkey Joins Up Again

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Joey, owned by Mr. Richard Stacey, of Denmark-street, Maidenhead, Berks, has raised hundreds of pounds for charities and hospitals by giving penny rides to kiddies.

Now he is going to sacrifice part of his winter rest to give more rides. The proceeds will help to make life brighter for the B.E.F.

At the end of the Great War King George asked to see Old Joe and he was then called "Sir" and Stacey was asked to take him to Windsor Castle.

The King patted the donkey's head with a sword, and Old Joe became Royal Joey.

"Joey and I are great pals, and we have walked thousands of miles together," Mr. Stacey, an old, old, old, aged seventy-four, said.

Likes His Beer

"He was only twelve hours old when I first had him. I brought him up on the bottle. King George said he was one of the prettiest animals he had seen."

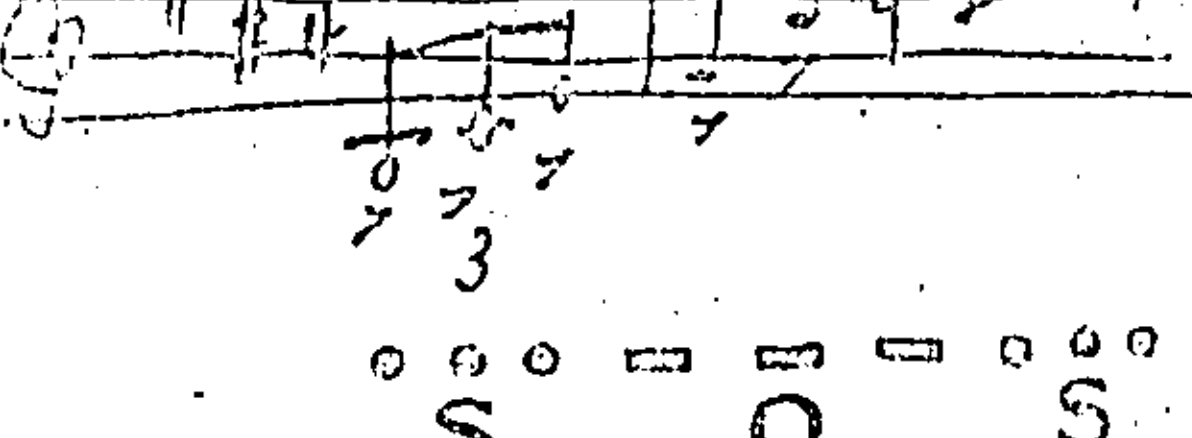
"Joey has grown out of milk. He likes a half-pint of beer. 'No he doesn't smoke, but he likes chewing tobacco.'"

NEW C. IN C. OF U.S. FLEET



Admiral James O. Richardson, new Commander-in-Chief of the United States fleet, who will raise his four-star red pennant on battleship Pennsylvania.

CENSORS OFFER TO GIVE THEIR BLOOD SOS—AND LIFE IS SAVED



This Man Makes Music Out Of Morse

AN American composer has made a piano concerto out of the Morse code. He wants Sir Thomas Beecham to conduct it in London.

The composer is the pianist, Walter Rummel, whose grandfather invented the Morse code nearly one hundred years ago.

Rummel, who came from Portland, Maine, has a recital at the Cambridge Theatre.

Mr. Rummel told me that his Morse Concerto has as its main theme the rhythm of the distress signal—S O S.

The theme, based on the rhythm of three dots, three dashes, and three dots, goes right through the work, ending in a triumphant climax of thanksgiving.

"I hope to give the first performance of the concerto, in America next year, and I want to persuade Sir Thomas Beecham to give the work in London sometime soon."

Walter Rummel is now busy organizing an international scheme among neutral countries for the exchange of cultural activities. S. F.

The volunteers have now received a letter from the patient's wife, through the Ministry, thanking them for their services.

Appeal Posted Up
They were told that because of the transfusion, the patient had been able to undergo a vital operation.

This had proved successful, and he was making good progress.

The patient is a steward at London University, and the appeal for blood was posted at the Ministry.

Among the volunteers were two censors, three Navy League Sea Cadets, employed as messengers in the Press Bureau, an airman from the Air Affairs Section, and two women Post Office employees.

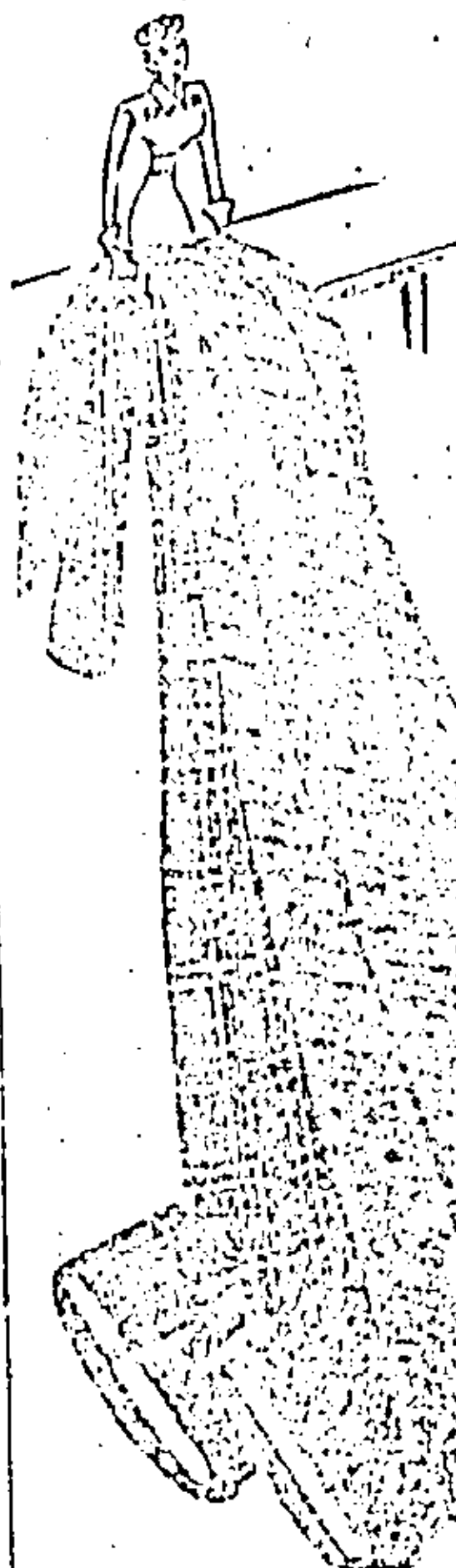
Back To Duty
They were taken to Middlesex Hospital, where six were selected as suitable.

One of them is Donald Glanz, a Sea Cadet, who lives at Clarendon House, Duchy-street, Lambeth, S.E.

He gave a pint of blood, and immediately returned to the Ministry to report for duty.

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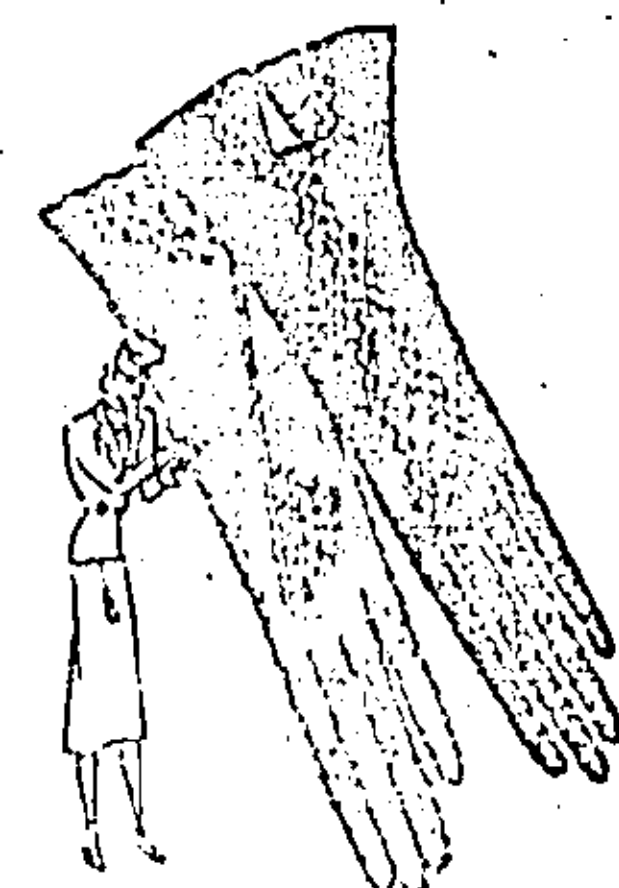
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He Had A Role In All These Dramas

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On his seventieth birthday, he ended a twenty-seven-and-a-half years service.

He can forget the deaths and mysteries that have made the back-

ground of his job and give more time to croquet.

"I'd like to have gone on," he said. "I feel that I have plenty of work left in me. But I've reached the age limit."

Mr. Oddie is a Bachelor of Medicine and Master of Surgery, as well as barrister.

It was as junior counsel to Mr. R.D. Aldrich, then senior counsel to the Treasury, that he took part in the prosecutions of Crippen and Stan Morrison.

Front Page Cases
Morrison was sentenced to death. The marks remained for the murder of Lord Byron on Clapham Common in 1911.

Here are some of the front page dramas, part of which have been played out in Mr. Oddie's court:

Death of Billie Carleton, beautiful actress, who died from an overdose of drugs—1915.

Assassination of Sir Henry Wilson by Sinn Feiners—1922.

Millionaire Prince Ali Fahmy, shot dead in a West End hotel—Miss Fahmy, his bride of six months, was acquitted of murder—1923.

Murder of North Upchurch, found strangled in a Shaftesbury-avenue shop—1931.

Vera Page murder inquest—1932. It was Mr. Oddie who conducted the inquest on ten people drowned when the "Thames Embankment" burst in 1929, and that on the victims of the R 101 airship disaster in 1931.

No Wasted Time
He has always been speedy in handling inquiries, even the most intricate.

Where some coroners would spend hours in trying to disentangle facts, Mr. Oddie would get to the heart of problems with a series of shrewd questions.

Mr. Oddie was born at Pateley Bridge, near Harrogate, Yorkshire. He was a surgeon in the Navy from 1902 until 1905.

TRADE TALKS SUSPENDED
BOMBAY, Feb. 5 (Domel).—It is reliably learned that in view of the tardy progress in the proposed Japan-India trade talks, both sides have agreed to suspend negotiations for a while.

Majesties Return To London
LONDON, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—Their Majesties the King and Queen returned to Buckingham Palace this afternoon after spending the week-end at Windsor.

THEY'LL SURPRISE THE WUNS



TURKEY TO MEDIATE

Attempt To Bring Bulgaria Into Line

PARIS, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—When M. Sarajoglu, the Turkish Foreign Minister, passes through Sofia en route to Ankara from Belgrade, he will have an interview with the Bulgarian Prime Minister.

The main object of this interview, according to a message from Istanbul, is his hope of carrying a step further Turkey's policy of mediation between Bulgaria and the other Balkan states.

London Satisfied.
LONDON, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—With regard to the Balkan Entente talks, "Reuter" learns that no full information has yet reached London, but the stories which have appeared in the Press seem to afford every reason for satisfaction at the result of the conference.

The friendly references by the Yugo-Slavian and Rumanian Ministers to their neighbouring states also

Wants To Become U.S. Citizen

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—Excited because he married the Duke and Duchess of Windsor, the Rev. J. E. Jardine completed plans to-day for becoming an American citizen.

An soon as his birth certificate and other papers arrive from England, he said, he wants to apply for his first papers.

He indicated that this should be within two months.

He will make his home in Hollywood.

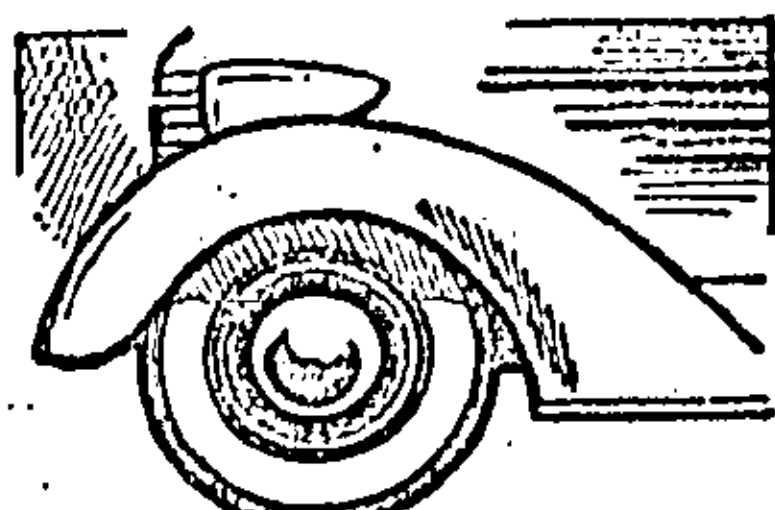
gives cause for satisfaction in London.

The outcome of the talks may be regarded as making for security of conditions in South-East Europe.

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DEATH

VICTAL.—Maria Lobo (Min) beloved wife of Augusto Vical, died at Kowloon Hospital, at 12.30 a.m. Funeral will pass the Monument at 5.30 p.m. to-day. (Macau and Shanghai papers please copy). No wreaths by request.

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Finland's Struggle

It is almost ten weeks since Russia opened fire on the freedom of Finland. The situation upon which the Soviet dictator looks forth from the Kremlin is far different from his intentions. Finland's armies have hung back the Russian hosts, while her towns and her women and children steadfastly endure the horrors of bombing. Baffled in every sector of the fighting front, the Soviet seek vengeance by air attack on towns and villages. One of them, Viborg, the second city of Finland, is also under bombardment. This particular atrocity may have given special pleasure in Moscow, for Viborg was founded 600 years ago to guard the marches of civilisation. The Russian air force has paid heavily for its raids, the Russian army cannot maintain the offensive, and over 200 miles of front is reeling back. Attacks on the Mannerheim Line across the isthmus, the short straight way into Finland, have become cumulatively unsuccessful.

Reports of the fighting show that in everything but numbers—strategy, tactics, efficiency of weapons and individual fighting power—the Finns were far superior to the invaders. The story of the march of waves of Russian infantry across the ice of frozen lakes, mowed down on that clear field of fire by Finnish artillery till the ice broke under the barrage, recalls the evening of Austerlitz. But the lakes of Finland are bigger and deadlier than the lake on which Napoleon's guns caught the Russian masses. So far Moscow has conspired most successfully to keep the extent of these reverses from its own people. The very existence of a war, has barely been acknowledged in the curiously reticent communiques. But there is evidence that the veil of secrecy is at last being pierced and that an uneasy realisation is growing that there have been some miscalculations about the easy triumphs that had been expected. Casualties on such a scale cannot be concealed for an indefinite time. Unofficially the failure to win a lightning victory may be attributed to the strength of the Mannerheim Line and the natural advantages of Finland. These things, apparently, dictatorship could not more force than the cold of winter. The Finns admit heavy losses of their own, and they out-numbered as a nation 40 to one, must husband their man-power. All history shows that Russian military effort on the offensive is far inferior to its defensive power. The invasion of Finland was plainly handicapped by incompetent direction and training, defective armament and lack of supplies. Communications in Russia are still inadequate to the needs of a large army fighting on or beyond the frontier.



ADOLF: "Of course, it's only a loan, old boy!"

To help Finland we must

BEAT HITLER
FIRST

By Francis Williams

RUSSIA has refused the appeal of the League of Nations, of which she once professed herself the most ardent of members.

Her aggression in Finland continues. And at a formidably increased pace. With at least a million and half of men and more than a thousand war-planes, Stalin now sets himself to crush without mercy the pigmy nation which has dared to fight for its own soul.

What can we do to help Finland? That question is being asked all over Britain. Millions of men and women who recognise in Russia's attack an act as brutal as any in history, ask it with a bewildered feeling of frustration. We went to war with Germany to stop aggression. They endorsed that decision. But where, they now ask themselves, will be the end of civilisation's fight against barbarism?

Why, I have been asked, do we give only our blessing to Finland, when for Poland, a country less democratic and less advanced, we fight with all our forces?

Why do we not even give to Finland the aid of economic sanctions we gave to Abyssinia?

There is, of course, a practical answer to these questions. We are engaged in a life and death struggle with a powerful and unrelenting foe. We cannot afford to dissipate our forces.

The strength of the League has

been so weakened that it no longer has sufficient power to take effective action against a mighty lawbreaker. It can do little more than condemn the crime.

Nor can France and Britain alone take upon themselves the active defence in every part of the world of those moral standards which are the joint heritage of all the nations of Western civilisation, including the great United States.

Three wars are being waged at the same time in the world to-day. Each is the result of brutal aggression by a strong Power against a weak. We cannot intervene successfully in each.

To undertake a task beyond our achievement would not be to defend Western civilisation. It would be to risk its final defeat.

That danger we should incur if we set ourselves a limitless objective. The essential first objective is the defeat of Nazism.

It is the most necessary because Nazism, by its whole record, is proved the most persistent of aggressors. Decelt, aggression and domination are not incidental to Nazism. They are an integral part

of its philosophy. Moreover the declared scope of Nazi ambitions offers the most direct threat to Western Europe. And if the democracies of Western Europe and the British Commonwealth fall then indeed will the lamps of European civilisation splutter into darkness, leaving America the solitary and perhaps transient inheritor of that great tradition.

Amidst the darkening storm of barbarism which confronts us, one thing surely is clearer than ever before.

It is that the democratic system is the one essential foundation of civilised living nationally and internationally.

I do not doubt that there are groups within Britain and within France with Imperialist ambitions hardly less ruthless than those of Hitler and Stalin and with consciences no less blunted.

But they are kept in control by the force of democratic public opinion which ceases to have authority under a dictatorship.

Democracy imposes upon its ruler, the standards of toleration and fair dealing which rule in the ordinary affairs of decent men and women.

Dictatorships, corrupted by absolute power, set themselves above all common standards.

We are fighting to re-establish the authority of those standards.

To that authority the greatest immediate danger is Nazism.

I do not minimise the danger of Stalinism. I do not deceive myself, as some still do, that Stalin's Communism holds within itself anything truly socialist. I think Communism in any true socialist sense came to an end when Stalin secured complete control and murdered all those who had been the pioneers of the new order.

Stalin will go his own course undeterred by socialist philosophy. But he will not, I think, remain unaffected by the success of the Western democracies in their war against Hitlerism.

His aggression has been carried on under the shadow of Nazi aggression. If that shadow retreats we may see another change of policy in Russia.

Our paramount task remains then that of victory in the war against Nazism. But what then? By that time, unless by some miracle the story of David and Goliath is repeated, Independent Finland may have ceased to exist. How then can the free nations repay their debt to a gallant and democratic people?

There is one way in which they can try. It is this.

When the war is won there will be a peace conference. If that conference is to be of any value it must be something more than a meeting of victors and a defeated. It must be a genuine effort to build a new world order.

At that conference we should do two things. We should set up machinery for international co-operation which, unlike the League of Nations, shall be economic as well as political.

We must make membership of the new League, or Federation—whichever it is economically advantageous. We must make peaceful co-operation pay. And we must make it a serious economic disadvantage to any nation to remain outside, to resign, or to adopt such a policy as to force expulsion.

That is the only way to bind the nations together in an organisation of international law which will not collapse under the first serious strain.

We should invite Russia to join on condition that she abandons aggression. And on condition that she allows the people of Russian Poland and of Finland a free vote to decide for themselves on their independence.

I think such an offer, with the advantages acceptance would give, would be hard for even Stalin to refuse.

We cannot help Finland now as much as we would like. But we must pledge ourselves to remember her when the new Europe is being shaped.

The first nine weeks of the Finnish campaign have been a monument of bad staff work.

THE FINNISH WAR IS 9 WEEKS OLD IT IS—

A Monument of Bad
Russian Staff Work

WHEN Germany attacked Poland she did so with a superiority of about two to one in man power, and certainly rather more in machine power.

When Russia attacked Finland she did so with a superiority of about forty to one in man power.

Having herself a plentiful supply of tanks, heavy artillery and aircraft, she pitted herself against a small Power deficient in all these respects, and the Finns were far from strong in anti-tank guns.

Germany, in fact, attacked an opponent far more formidable than Finland. She encountered some reverses, but after three weeks—and before the Russian stab in the back virtually paralysed Polish resistance—Poland was a defeated nation.

What progress has Russia achieved in the same period?

She has, at great cost, made a successful attack in the far north. She has made a dangerous thrust across central Finland to the Gulf of Bothnia. Against the strong Finnish defences in the south of Finland she has made practically no progress at all.

What is the explanation of Germany's quick results, Russia's slow ones?

In the first place the Finns have no disloyal minorities to furnish spies—though for diplomatic reasons the

Russians would not like this explanation.

The Russians would blame the ground over which they have to operate. Poland had one of the hardest frontiers to defend; Finland has one of the hardest to attack.

The lakes and forests of the south and centre, the rocks, hills, and bitter cold of the far north, set an attacker an exceedingly difficult problem.

But the Russian General Staff had every opportunity of finding out beforehand, and they should have framed their plans accordingly.

This they failed to do. Whether it was their own miscalculation or the fogging, not that they were to face a campaign, but that they were merely to enjoy a walk-over.

They attempted to terrorise the Government and people by aerial bombing. They inflicted a good deal of damage, but were surprised to find their bombers assailed by furious anti-aircraft fire.

The Russian Fleet took a hand by undertaking what is notoriously one of the most unprofitable of operations of war in bombarding from the sea a port where land batteries were stationed.

They treated Hango as if it were a harmless fishing village, and were surprised to find that they had one of their ships sunk and several damaged.

Their operations on land were no less casual. They employed second-line troops. Knowing that the weather, even in the south, was normally cold enough to freeze the lakes in November, they neglected to provide the men with underwear.

Knowing that to obtain resistance to cold a substantial diet containing a high proportion of fat is essential, they sent their men into action under-nourished to the point of semi-starvation.

They had a colossal superiority in numbers, a considerable superiority in military material. They made little use of the one, poor use of the other.

At the outset only 300,000 of their millions of men were deployed on the Finnish frontier. Now the figure has been brought up to 500,000. It still remains far short of that decisive superiority of at least three to one which is generally essential for an attack.

The Russians, too, have often shown little skill in their choice of weapons. Although the Finns are weak in anti-tank weapons, the Russians have suffered severe losses in tanks. That is largely because they employed heavy tanks in soft snow; these naturally got stuck and presented easy targets.

Where, as in the far north, light tanks have been used much better results have been obtained.

BIG TEN CONFER

Allied War Council
Meets In Paris

PARIS, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—The fifth meeting of the Supreme War Council was held here today.

The British delegation comprised Mr. Neville Chamberlain (Prime Minister), Lord Halifax (Foreign Secretary), Mr. Winston Churchill (First Lord of the Admiralty), Sir Kingsley Wood (Air Minister) and Mr. Oliver Stanley (War Secretary).

They were accompanied by Sir Ronald Campbell (British Ambassador to Paris), Sir Alexander Cadogan (Permanent Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs), Admiral of the Fleet Sir Dudley Pound and General Sir Edmund Ironside (Chief of Imperial General Staff).

Meetings were held in the morning and afternoon.

A communiqué states that various questions were given particular consideration with the object of ensuring still greater efficiency in real Franco-British collaboration.

Questions of supply were given special attention.

Complete agreement was reached on all points examined. France was represented by M. Edouard Daladier (French Premier), M. Camille Chautau (Minister of the Navy), M. Guy de Chamberlain (Air Minister), and M. Derbes, accompanied by M. Alexis Legey, General Gamelin (Allied Commander-in-Chief), Admiral François Darlan (Commander of French Navy), General Vuillemin (French Air Chief) and General Decamp.

Text Of Communiqué

PARIS, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—The full text of the Supreme War Council communiqué, after recounting the names of the participants, states that British delegates were welcomed by M. Daladier, who said that he regretted that owing to his recent accident, it was impossible for him to travel to England for a meeting of the Council there.

Mr. Chamberlain expressed the sympathy of the British representatives with M. Daladier and their pleasure that he was making so good a recovery.

The Council examined, under every aspect, the various factors in the present situation as they affect the general conduct of the war.

Various questions were given particular consideration in the spirit of close co-operation which inspires the actions of the two governments with the object of ensuring still greater efficiency in the realm of Franco-British collaboration.

The question of supplies was given special attention.

Chinese Intensely Dislike War

No Ambition To
Conquer World

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
NEW YORK, Feb. 5 (UP).—"You can gauge the future only from what you know about the past. The Chinese are a quiet and peaceful people who dislike war intensely." This comment formed part of an editorial in the "New York Daily News" this morning, when the newspaper commented on a letter from a reader who expressed fears that China would engage in a campaign of world conquest if she defeated Japan.

"Japan's history is that of a warlike aggressive nation," the editorial continued.

"Their conquest began with the first Sino-Japanese War of 1894."

Used As Stepping Stone

"Each new piece of grabbed territory has been used by the Japanese as a stepping-stone for another grab. The Chinese, on the other hand, have never been that. They are a quiet and peaceful people who dislike war intensely. Most of them want, chiefly to be left alone."

"The Chinese can fight when they are attacked, as they have been demonstrating in the last two and a half years. But they have never had any ambition to conquer the world."

WHY CHILDREN ARE FRETFUL

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EFFORT MADE TO PAVE UNITY IN INDIA

GANDHI HAS LONG CONVERSATION
WITH LORD LINLITHGOW

NEW DELHI, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—Mahatma Gandhi had a 2½ hour conversation with the Viceroy this morning. This conversation had been awaited with expectancy as it was arranged with a view to making a further effort to solve the constitutional problem and to reach a settlement of the Hindu-Moslem differences.

A communiqué issued following the conversation said: "In response to an invitation from His Excellency, Mahatma Gandhi to-day came to see the Viceroy."

"A prolonged and very friendly discussion took place during which the whole position was exhaustively examined."

"Mahatma Gandhi made it clear from the outset that he had no mission from the Congress Working Committee and that he was not empowered to commit it in any way. He could speak on behalf of himself only."

"His Excellency set out in some detail the intentions and proposals of His Majesty's Government."

"He emphasised, in the first place, that his earnest desire was that India should attain Dominion status at the earliest possible moment and that they would facilitate the achievement of that status by all the means in their power."

Complexity Of Issues

The communiqué from the Viceroy drew attention to the complexity and difficulty of certain issues that called for disposal in that connection, in particular the issue of defence in the Dominion position.

He made clear that His Majesty's Government was only too willing to examine the whole field in consultation with representatives of all parties when the time came.

He also made clear the anxiety of His Majesty's Government to shorten the transitional period and to bridge it as effectively as possible.

The Viceroy drew attention to the fact that the Federal Scheme Act, while at present in suspense, afforded the swiftest stepping-stone towards Dominion status and its adoption.

The consent of all concerned, he stated, would facilitate the solution of many problems that had to be faced in that connection.

The Viceroy added that an offer which he had made in November for the expansion of the Governor General's Council remained open. His Majesty's Government was prepared to give immediate effect to it.

Federal Scheme

Subject to the consent of all parties affected, the Government was also prepared to re-open the Federal Scheme in order to expedite the achievement of Dominion status and to facilitate the settlement, after the war, of issues which had arisen.

Mahatma Gandhi expressed his appreciation of the spirit in which the proposals were made but made it clear that, in his view, they did not, at this stage, meet the full demands of the Congress party.

He suggested and the Viceroy agreed that in the circumstances it would be preferable to defer for the present further discussion with the object of finding a solution for the difficulties which had arisen.

Consults Moslem Opinion

NEW DELHI, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—Apart from an official communiqué issued to-night, nothing more has been revealed about the talk between the Governor-General and Mahatma Gandhi to-day.

Gandhi has already been in touch with Moslem opinion as the result of his conversation with Sir Sikander Hyat Khan, Premier of Punjab.

Another prominent Moslem, Abdul Kaseem Faisal Hussain, Premier of Bengal, put forward a suggestion on Sunday that Coalition Cabinets be formed in the provinces for the duration of the war. He considered that this would pave the way for unity between Moslems and Hindus.

There has yet been no reaction to this suggestion from Congress circles.

Not Meeting Jinnah

NEW DELHI, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—As the result of Gandhi's early departure, the proposed meeting with Mr. M. A. Jinnah, the Moslem League leader, is not taking place.

The unexpectedly rapid development towards a settlement has led to it being noted that the communiqué suggests that consultations are only deferred.

Ration Card Illegalities

KAUNAS, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—A Kaunas dispatch says that 32 Germans, including eight Municipal officials, were tried before a special court at Kaunas on charges involving the illegal granting and receiving of ration cards.

One official was sentenced to death and 27 others were sentenced to terms of from one to fifteen years. The remaining four were acquitted.

MINISTRY BUYS SIX SHIPS

The Ministry of Shipping has arranged for its first purchase of American cargo ships by buying six. The sale is subject to the approval of the United States Maritime Commission.

The ships involved are the Delaware (5,725 tons), Louisiana (15,484 tons), Tennessee (6,370 tons) and Indianan (5,582 tons) all owned by the American-Italian S. S. Co. and the Oakwood (6,071 tons) and Wabash (6,038 tons) both owned by the Lykes Bros. Shipping Company. The six ships are suitable for carrying any kind of cargo.

RUSSIA OVERWHELMED BY ANOTHER DISASTER

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Air Force has something lacking, and recalls the Japanese claims in the combats last year on the Manchukuo border—claims which were then thought to be ridiculous.

Most of the Russian losses in Finland are attributed to Finnish superiority in aerial combats.

Attacks Hurdled Back

HELSINGFORS, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—Every Soviet attack designed to relieve the 18th Division was hurled back, and heavy Finnish artillery on the island fortress of Mantsinari continuously peppered the only road from Kitea.

The beleaguered troops were in a ghastly plight. Supplies were cut off and they were compelled to eat horses.

Once, a Russian plane tried to drop food, but it fell behind the Finnish lines.

Much credit for the victory goes to the Finnish ski patrols who worked swiftly around and through the dense snow-filled forests north of the Russians, and when the order was given, all began to close in.

Realised Too Late

Soviet officers too late realised their position and made an effort to break through along the shores of the Lake, but this move was foreseen and the batteries of Mantsinari dropped a curtain of shells, while larger bodies of Finnish troops, armed mainly with machine-guns, steadily closed in from the surrounding woods.

The marooned division appealed by wireless for help. Other Soviet units tried to respond. They made great efforts to silence the Mantsinari guns, but neither bombing nor sallies across the ice made an impression on the Finnish artillerymen.

Reinforcement from the Russian frontier was impossible because the relieving force could never have penetrated the dense, trackless forest with a chance of arriving safely or quickly enough.

The Finnish commander waited for a critical moment, and then sent the patrols for a final onslaught against the broken and demoralised Russians.

Booby is not expected to be as extensive as after the victory of Suomussalmi but would certainly be considerable.

Finnish Communiqué

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
HELSINGFORS, Feb. 5 (UP).—To-day's official communiqué states that the Finns yesterday repulsed six Russian attacks between the Isthmus and Salla fronts to the northeast of Lake Ladoga.

The communiqué states that 500 Russians were killed and that the Finns captured seven tanks, four guns, a large quantity of other arms and 30 automobiles.

The Russians were also repulsed on the Karelian Isthmus and the islands of Ahtolajoki, Kuumu and Mäkelä on Lake Ladoga.

The Finns further claim that nine Russian planes were shot down during the day.

Red Communiqué

MOSCOW, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—A Red Army communiqué regarding Sunday's operations on Finland states that there were patrol activities and some infantry clashes in the region north of Lake Ladoga.

Reconnaissance and bombing by our air craft took place, concludes the communiqué.

Kajani Bombed

HELSINGFORS, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—This morning enemy air craft raided Kajani, terminus of the railway running northwards through the centre of southern Finland.

No details available. Recently, Soviet airmen appear to have been concentrating on bombing hospitals and country churches.

Many places of worship have been burned down as a result of such attacks.

Soviet Attack Resumed

HELSINGFORS, Feb. 5 (UP).—The Soviet attack was resumed for the fifth consecutive day in the Summa sector in a desperate effort to break the Mannerheim Line where the Finns have so far not yielded, despite the attacks of thousands of well-armed Russians supported by the constant hammering of heavy artillery.

Soviet aviation is constantly active over the Finnish first line of defence but the Finns so far are reported to dominate the bitter battle.

It is stated that the activity north-east of Lake Ladoga is chiefly by fast-moving Finnish ski patrols, who are harassing the Russian lines of supply which have been impeded by cold weather, strong winds and snow.

Nothing To Report

PARIS, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—A communiqué issued here to-day states that there is nothing to report.

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING

T.T. London	1/2 1/4
Demand do.	1/2 1/4
T.T. Shanghai	32 3/4
T.T. Singapore	32 1/4
T.T. Japan	10 1/4
T.T. India	82 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.	24 1/2
T.T. Manila	49 1/2
T.T. Batavia	45 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	15 1/4
T.T. Saigon	10 1/4
T.T. France	10 85
T.T. Switzerland	10 85
T.T. Australia	1/0 3/4

BUYING

4 m/s L/C London	1/3 5/32
4 m/s D/P Do.	1/3 9/32
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	25 1/4
4 m/s France	11 1/4
30 d/s India	84
Cross rate in London	4 02 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	3 08 1/2

Passive Attitude Deprecated

Belgian Chamber
Leader's Warning

BRUSSELS, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—The speech last night by M. Cuauplate, President of the Chamber and leader of the Flemish Right Party, in which he aligned himself with Government on neutrality has aroused considerable interest in political circles.

He rebuked certain Flemish Nationalists who, he said, believed that the test of neutrality was solely respect for Belgium's frontiers and added: "Our neutrality is freely undertaken and not forced upon us. If Southern Holland were invaded, we should be in a position to revise our viewpoint."

"What guarantees for the maintenance of our independence could we possibly have if Holland were attacked? We must beware of adopting a passive attitude."

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS

H.K. Banks	1,420 s.
H.K. Banks (Lon. Reg.)	1,374 s.
H.K. Banks (H.K. Reg.)	1,374 s.
Chartered	1,374 s.
Mercantile, A. & B.	2,287 s.
Mercantile, C.	1,134 s.
East Asiatic	78 n.

INSURANCES

Canton	212 1/4 s.
Unions	465 n.
China Underwriter	174 s.
H.K. Fire	100 b.

SHIPPING

Douglases	100 b.
Steamboats	10 1/2 n.
Indo-China P.S.	100 n.
Indo-China D.S.	80 n.
Shell (Barrera)	70/101 1/2 s.
Waterboats	7 1/2 n.

DOCKS ETC.

Wharves	103 n.
Docks	22 s.
Providents	4 65 s.
New Eng. Sh.	20 1/4 n.
Sh. Docks Sh. (S.S.)	315 n.

MINING

Kailan s/-	18 1/2 n.
Raubas	10 n.
Wong gold	4 n.
H.K. Mines	3 1/2 cts. n.

LANDS

Hotels	5 60 s.
Lands	34 1/2 n.
Lands 4% Debentures	100 n.
Shai Lands Sh.	10 30 n.
Humphreys	4 55 n.
H.K. Estates	101 n.

UTILITIES

Trams	17 85 b.
Peak Trams (old)	8 n.
Peak Trams (new)	4 n.
Star Ferries	67 1/4 s.
Y. Ferries	24 60 n.
China Lights (new)	7 40 n.
H.K. Electric	55 1/4 n.
Macao Electric	20 1/2 n.
Sandakan Lights	11 1/4 n.
Telephones (old)	24 1/2 n.
Telephones (new)	9 50 s.
Traction	10 1/2 n.
Traction (H.K.)	10 1/2 n.

INDUSTRIALS

Cold Macg. (Ord.)	Sh. \$ 14 00 n.
Cold Macg. (Pref.)	Sh. \$ 12 n.
Canton Ice	1 n.
Cement	10 n.
H.K. Ropes	6 n.

Dairy Farms (old)	\$ 22 s. & n.
Dairy Farms (new)	\$ 20 1/2 s.
Watkins	\$ 0 40 b. & n.
Lane, Crawford	\$ 7 1/2 n.
Shanghai	\$ 1 80 n.
Ping On (H.K.)	\$ 41 n.
Powell	\$ 1 n.

COTTON MILLS

Evo Sh.	37 1/4 n.
Shai Cotton Sh.	170 n.
Zong Sing Sh.	44 n.
Wing On Textiles	\$ 48 1/4 n.

MISC.

H.K. Entertainments	\$ 6 00 b.
Constructions (Ord.)	\$ 1 1/2 n.
Constructions (new)	\$ 1 n.
Vibro Pilling	\$ 8 1/4 n.
C. Bonds	\$ 50 n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	\$ 100 n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan	\$ 88 1/2 n.
Marmans (Jaw)	\$ 10 1/2 n.
Marmans (H.K.)	\$ 10 1/2 n.

POST OFFICE

CHINESE NEW YEAR
HOLIDAYS.

On Thursday, the 8th February, the General Post Office and all Branch Post Offices will be entirely closed. There will be no collection from the pillar boxes and no delivery by Postmen.

On Friday, the 9th February, the General Post Office and Kowloon Central Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Sheungwan Branch Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. and the other Branch Offices will be entirely closed.

There will be no collection from the pillar boxes on Sundays and one delivery of registered and ordinary correspondence at 11 a.m. The Branch Post Offices at Stanley, Tai Po and Un Long will also have one delivery of ordinary correspondence at 11 a.m.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the holidays.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

OUTWARD MAIL TIMES

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day. When mails are advertised to close after 5 p.m., Registered and Parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m.

INWARD MAELS

Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai—(Vancouver B.C. date 11th Jan.)

Japan and Shanghai	Feb. 6
Bangkok and Saigon	Feb. 6
Shanghai	Feb. 6
Straits	Feb. 6
Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date, 31st January	Feb. 7

Canton	Feb. 7
Europe via Suez and Straits (London date, 15th December 1939)	Feb. 7
Hapshong	Feb. 7
Japan and Shanghai	Feb. 7
Saigon	Feb. 7
Shanghai	Feb. 7
Straits	Feb. 7

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 27th January	Feb. 8
Hapshong, Hoihow and Fort Bayard	Feb. 8
Shanghai and Amoy	Feb. 8

Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 24th January	Feb. 9
Japan and Shanghai	Feb. 9
Canton	Feb. 9
Shanghai	Feb. 9

OUTWARD MAELS

Tuesday, Feb. 6

Fort Bayard	Noon..
Shanghai	2.30 p.m.
Bangkok	2.30 p.m.
Manila	3.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 14th February	

K.P.O.

Reg.	Feb. 6, 5 p.m.
Ord.	Feb. 6, 5.30 p.m.

G.P.O.

Reg.	Feb. 6, 5 p.m.
Ord.	Feb. 6, 7 p.m.

Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney 12th Feb.	
K.P.O.	
Reg.	5 p.m.
Ord.	5.30 p.m.

G.P.O.

Reg.	5 p.m.
Ord.	7 p.m.

Straits and London parcels only—due London, 15th March

K.P.O.

Parcels	4 p.m.
Reg.	4 p.m.
Ord.	5.30 p.m.

G.P.O.

Reg.	4 p.m.
Ord.	5 p.m.

"R. Abbit's" Cricket Comments

COLD CONDITIONS FOR CRICKET

Indian Batsmen Defy Recreio Attack: Farce At The Kowloon C.C.

THE GLORIOUS CRICKET WEATHER which favoured the beginning of the season had entirely departed by Saturday last, which was as cold an afternoon as I have known for a long time. There was a most unpleasantly bitter wind at times at Sookunpoo, and in spite of two sweaters and a heavy overcoat I was none too warm. What the unfortunate players felt like I don't know, but I blame no man for dropping a catch on such a day. Talk about Keat's owl!

The Recreio batted first, and the chief feature of their innings was a fine knock of 72 by L. G. Gossano, who as usual opened the innings with his brother Zinho. It is, speaking subject to correction, his highest score in Senior League matches to date. J. M. Gossano (19) and P. M. da Silva (22) helped, and runs came quickly, so that just before 4 o'clock Recreio was able to declare at 170 for 6 wickets. Several catches were put down but, as I have said, in that cold I blame no one.

A POSSIBLE TASK

THE I.R.C. started their innings at 4.15, and as it was February, had just two hours to make the runs, and 85 runs in an hour is by no means an impossible task on that ground. But they found Gossano and E. L. Gossano in deadly form and could do nothing with them in the way of forcing the pace. They are never a quick scoring side—unless Minu gets going—but on this occasion it required excellent batting to keep up the wicket.

Gossano kept a good length and was turning appreciably from leg, while Eddie Gossano, after bowling two overs of outwingers with the new ball, started sending them down from close to the return crease and putting on an appreciable amount of off spin. Actually he looked more dangerous than Gossano, but it was the latter who got the wickets.

The first time Y. el Arculli had a go at him he was taken in the covers. Kitchell managed to get things going a bit better, thanks to some nice shots, but he was well caught in the country in trying to drive Gossano.

A STUBBORN INNINGS

A. H. MADAR came in and settled down to play his usual solid and correct game. A. H. Rumbhah, who had been left off at backward short leg when turning Gossano, to leg some time before, made an even worse shot at a similar ball and asked it to first slip. He had, however, played an excellent and watchful knock and in an ideal opening but, this time now began to look black for the Indians who badly missed Nazari. M. el Arculli managed to get into double figures before being taken at mid-wicket, and A. M. Rumbhah gave a very quick chance to Zinho Gossano at first slip, who took it very cleanly.

Minu was caught off a lofty drive, and then after hanging on for a bit Baker gave Luigi Gossano his fourth catch, this time at mid-off. All the wickets except that of M. el Arculli fell to Gossano.

A DRAW SECURED

MEANTIME, A. H. Madar continued to play very steadily and occasionally sent a bad ball (there were not many) to the boundary. When joined by his brother M. P., there was a quarter of an hour to go, but neither batsman looked like getting out and played watchful cricket in a bad light until stumps and the match were drawn.

A FAMILY AFFAIR

IT IS an extraordinary coincidence that all seven wickets fell to catches, and that they were all made by members of the Gossano family. Luigi got four, Zinho two and Gerry one, while the latter took the only wicket which escaped Gossano, whose figures were 10-2-38-6. As so often happens with spin bowlers, he got most of his wickets with lower balls, while his best ones beat both bat and wicket.

A Complete Farce

AT K.C.C. the claims of Camp turned the game into a complete farce. University cannot afford to lose a single man, and they had four away. K.C.C. had only four of their regular first team playing but ran up 178 for three—Muleahy had had to retire after a nasty knock in the face, and the Varsity dropped before Lloyd (6 for 10) and Curtis (4 for 22). For the K.C.C. F. J. Lay (64) and Ernie Fincher (57 not out) did most of the scoring.

LOW SCORING

I DO TAKE OFF my hat to the Varsity in that they managed to turn out two League teams in spite of the absence of four of their best players. It just shows how stimulating a League is!

Their records, managed to get up to eighty, out of which R. M. Soares had 25 runs. For the I.R.C. bowlers, Y. T. Barma was the most successful with 4 for 15. The Indians lost 6 wickets before they hit off their runs, and H. T. Barma (24) and M. I. Razack (25) did most of the work. They are not as strong a side as they used to be and I think they would improve with a bit more practice.

Police Win

ON THE CLUB GROUND a fairly strong Club second eleven side—but they were one short—were badly beaten by the Police. Their bowling broke down badly and Atwell, who plays for C.S.C.C. second-in-the-league, was the only man to do much, taking 5 wickets for 44 runs. Robb had 3 for 33. W. L. Clarke (50) and Carey (49) started the good work and Danbrowsky (31) carried it on.

Facing a total of 184 the Club never looked like doing it; Gillespie hit hard for his 34, but the total only reached 167. Lewis bowled steadily, sending down 8 overs for 2 wickets and 16 runs only, while Forrest had 4 for 16 in three overs.

Army v. Club

POSSIBLY owing to the fact that the game finished quite early, nobody seems to have discovered that the Army were at home to the Club first eleven on Saturday last at Sookunpoo in a friendly game. Each side was a man short.

The Army went in first and soon lost Supper Shaw and Captain Duke, but then Logan settled down and Denyer played one of his hurricane innings. One humorous gentleman described the first shot as a magnificent drive to the boundary high over first slip's head. He rattled up 31 before he was well taken in the gully by John Pearce.

Webb came in and did pretty well again for the second week running, and helped Logan to add 62 runs for the fourth wicket before he was run out when his score was 23. Shortly after, Logan was bowled having contributed an excellent 50. Captain Laurence did not come off and when Captain Goss was 14 not out he declared at 160 for 7 wickets.

DISASTROUS CHANGE

PEARCE shuffled the batting order up a good deal with disastrous effects, (or possibly in the cold it would have happened just the same). Owen Hughes went in first with Haymes, but 3 were down for 17, and Day's hard-hit 20 was the only decent score.

Alec Pearce went in last and was 11.5. w. to Young, their new left-hander after scoring 14. Perry being hit 2 not out. The 9 wickets fell for 73. Hatfield bowled steadily to take 3 for 25; Denyer took 3 for 23; Supper Shaw 2 for 17; and Young 1 for 7. It was like all the other games—very much spoilt by the cold weather. So was I.

SHANGHAI RUGBY FIFTEEN

Fast, Youthful Side to Oppose Hongkong

Do You Recognise This Man?

The picture is of Bert Oldfield, the famous Australian wicket-keeper, in a new role. He is now a Sergeant in the Australian Army.



SHANGHAI, Feb. 5 (UP).—Shanghai's rugby team to play Hongkong was selected to-day. The team is:

W. N. Dickson; J. W. M. Martin, A. P. D. Kennedy, S. M. Thornley, S. J. Ward; I. F. Aucott, J. R. Dickinson; R. A. O. Mayne, R. U. Reynolds, A. Gamble; W. D. Pearson (Captain), M. O. Liddell; C. F. Pow, S. A. Wallace, P. B. Tay. Reserves, J. D. Sayle, A. Thomas.

The team is not overstrong, but it is composed of youthful and keen players who are fit and fast, factors which are likely to counteract Hongkong's greater experience, but reportedly slower team.

MATCH ON THURSDAY

THE INTERPORT game takes place on Thursday at 11 a.m. at the Cadogan. Hongkong will oppose the Marines on Saturday and the inter-port game will take place at the Country Club on Saturday night.

If Shanghai loses, the Marines are expected to win. However the Marines hope for a dry ground so they can use their speed to advantage. On a wet ground they are somewhat puzzled by orthodox footstruckers. Shanghai's team meets with general approval, although a few critics believed Thomas should have been included instead of Ward.

ENTERTAINMENT

AN EXTENSIVE programme of entertainment has been arranged for the Hongkong Interport Football and Rugby teams, which are expected to arrive on Tuesday by the S. Esanz. Despite unfavourable weather conditions, which included a fall of snow, local Interport teams managed to put in a final practice over the week-end.

A heavy fall of snow on Friday precluded play on the Race Course, but the Rugby players had an hour's work-out yesterday on the sports ground of the Shanghai Waterworks, loaned for the occasion. Summing up prospects for the Interport Rugby match, the North China Daily News this morning states that though Hongkong are fielding a well-balanced side, since Shanghai won last year in Hongkong, there was no reason why another local victory should not be recorded.

Shanghai's fifteen, continued the paper, is expected to contain a well proportioned sprinkling of youth, which, as the game proceeds, should come into its own. H. D. Bidwell, former Shanghai Interport, is expected to be the spearhead of the Colony attack.

INTERPORT FOOTBALL POSTPONED ONE DAY

Saigon Team Now Arriving On Thursday

Army Boxing Schedule Altered

As they coincide with Chinese New Year, the 15th Hongkong Area Inter-Unit Novice boxing finals, between Royal Scots and Middlesex Regiment, have been brought forward one day, and will now take place to-morrow night at Barracks, commencing at 8.30 p.m. sharp.

His Excellency, the General Officer Commanding the Troops, Major General A. E. Grasset, will be present and will distribute the prizes. The Band of the Royal Scots will be in attendance.

Charges for admission will be \$1 and 50 cents, while Servicemen will be admitted at 20 cents. Season tickets for all Army boxing finals are available at \$9 each.

The Hongkong Area Individual Novice Finals will take place on Monday and Tuesday, February 10 and 20, at 5.30 and 8.30 p.m., respectively, and on February 22 at 8.30 p.m. These will also be held at Murray Barracks at the same prices.

Tennis

CIVIL SERVICE C.C. BEAT KOWLOON B.G.C.

DESPITE a steady light drizzle throughout the afternoon, some enjoyable mixed doubles tennis was witnessed at Happy Valley on Sunday when Civil Service Cricket Club beat Kowloon Bowling Green Club by nine sets to seven.

The results were: W. J. Skinner and Mrs. Skinner (C.S.C.C.) beat F. F. Clarke and Mrs. P. Peckham 6-0; beat C. E. Turpin and Mrs. F. F. Clarke 6-3; drew with J. B. Sturgeon and Mrs. Sturgeon 6-6. J. Agasturff and Mrs. G. Hooper (C.S.C.C.) beat Clarke and Mrs. Peckham 6-2; beat Peckham and Mrs. Turpin 6-1; beat Turpin and Mrs. Clarke 6-2; beat Sturgeon and Mrs. Sturgeon 6-2. C. Collyer (C.S.C.C.) beat Clarke and Mrs. Peckham 7-6; lost to Peckham and Mrs. Turpin 2-6; lost to Turpin and Mrs. Clarke 6-2; lost to Sturgeon and Mrs. Sturgeon 2-6. J. A. Hendall and Mrs. C. Lucas (C.S.C.C.) lost to Clarke and Mrs. Peckham 4-6; drew with Peckham and Mrs. Turpin 6-6; lost to Turpin and Mrs. Clarke 2-6; lost to Sturgeon and Mrs. Sturgeon 2-7.

Eight Runs' Victory

The match between Engineers and University on Sunday was held at Sookunpoo, not Pokfulam, as originally arranged, and resulted in a win for the Sappers by eight. Engineers 105.6 dec. (Denyer not out 60, Bailey 31). University—147 (A. Baker 77; Shipp 7-31).

Badminton League Walk-over

University "A" were given a walk over in the "A" Division of the Badminton League last night, as Chung Wah were unable to raise a team, as several of their players have left the Colony for the Chinese New Year.

THE SOCCER MATCH between Hongkong and Saigon scheduled for Thursday at Caroline Hill has been postponed for a day owing to the late arrival of the visiting team. An accident to the ship on which they were to have sailed made it necessary for the Saigon team to trans-ship and they are now not due until about noon on Thursday.

The Hongkong Football Association Council at yesterday's meeting decided it would not be fair to ask them to take the field a few hours after their arrival and the entire programme of four matches has been re-arranged.

The charity match between Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation and United Services in aid of the Chinese Athletes' Fund for Wounded and the British War Organisation Fund, will take place on Thursday, instead of Saturday. The Interport will take place on Friday and will be followed on Saturday and Sunday by matches in which Saigon will meet Eastern and South China.

For the three Saigon matches, tickets have been stamped by Government for entertainment tax, thus obviating the possibility of counterfeits being sold.

LIABILITY FOR STANDS

A LETTER was received from South China asking the Association if they would assume responsibility for damage to their stands by fire during the matches against Saigon.

Mr. W. Pryde, in the chair, said that a similar request had been made before they could send an answer, which would naturally embrace any football ground in the Colony on which a representative match was being held.

Mr. Pryde said he had received an offer from the Auxiliary Fire Service for a squad and small appliance to be on duty at any football match gratis, as this would afford members of the Service an opportunity for practice.

The chairman proposed the Association write South China, asking them for the loan of their ground, stands and fire-fighting equipment, pointing out at the same time that the Association would take every precaution against fire. He further proposed that the Auxiliary Fire Service be asked to supply a squad of 20 men and a small fire-fighting appliance for the three matches. This was agreed to.

Shield Semi-Finals

Following is the draw for the semi-finals of the senior and junior shields: March 9—Senior Shield, South China A. v. Middlesex or Police (Club). Junior Shield, Police v. 30th Bty. or Kowloon (Club). March 10—South China B. v. Eastern or Royal Scots (Causeway Bay). Junior Shield—South China A. v. Engineers (Causeway Bay).

SPORT ADVTS.

HONG KONG FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

INTERPORT MATCHES

Owing to unforeseen circumstances the programme for the matches against Saigon has been re-arranged as follows:—

Hong Kong v. Saigon
Friday, February 9, 1940

Eastern A.A. v. Saigon
Saturday, February 10, 1940

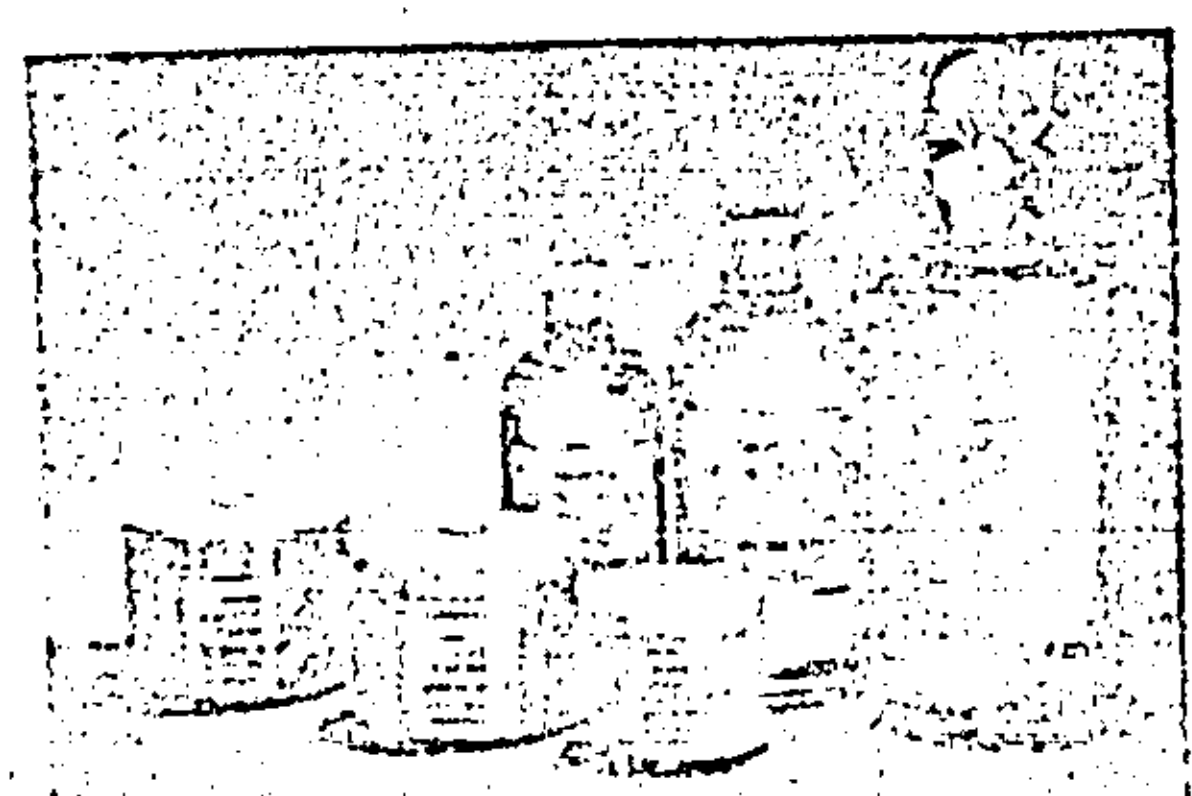
South China A.A. v. Saigon
Sunday, February 11, 1940

All matches will be played at Caroline Hill at 5.30 p.m. each day.

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Captain's Cup Qualifiers

T. Low, returning a card of 102-10=92 qualified from a field of 24 in the Captain's Cup February qualifying competition over the Old Course at Fanning during the past week-end.

F. C. Young, with a score of 85-14=71, qualified over the New Course. A score of 83-10=67 was disqualified as the player had also taken a card on the Old Course.

Women's Yacht Racing Results

Following are the results of the fifth ladies race, second series, held by the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club yesterday over 9.55 miles:

Boat	Pos.	Time
True Blue <td>1</td> <td>10.40.37</td>	1	10.40.37
(Miss Crawhall-Wilson)		
Redhawk <td>2</td> <td>10.47.20</td>	2	10.47.20
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H.M.S. Thracian Lose Ten-pins

In a friendly 10-pin match at the Hongkong Bowling Alley yesterday, representative Alley Team beat H.M.S. Thracian by 350 points.

Team	Pos.	Score
J. H. Watts	1	202 187 181 150
J. B. Landolt	2	207 190 180 151
H. Mount	3	181 168 110 105
G. Somerville	4	149 145 111 108
Total		1,211
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A. B. Dyer	1	150 130 140 406
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KNIT A HAT NEW

YOU need: 2ozs. W.B. Kwiknit astrakhan wool (squirrel) (can be obtained in other fur shades and colours).

1oz. 4-ply fingering red (price varies, about 7d.), 1/2 yard round elastic, 1 pair No. 6 needles, 1 pair No. 10 needles, small crochet hook.

HAT

WITH Kwiknit and No. 6 needles cast on 12 sts and work in s.s., using all the wool, just leaving sufficient to cast off. Join in a circle. Purl is right side.

SNOOD

With No. 10 needles and 4-ply wool cast on 21 sts. 1st row—K 1, * m 1, k 2 tog, repeat from * to within 2 sts of end, m 1, k 1, m 1, k 1. 2nd and every alternate row—Purl.

Repeat until sts number 67 (this for small to medium head). Increase to 75 sts for large head.

To decrease: 1st row—K 1, k 2 tog, * m 1, k 2 tog, repeat from * to within 1 st of end, k 1. 5th row—K 1, k 2 tog, * m 1, k 2 tog, repeat from * to within 1 st of end, k 1. Repeat from 3rd row until 40 sts remain. K 2 tog 16 times. Cast off, but do not break off wool.

TO MAKE UP

MAKE a circle of elastic to fit head comfortably. Hold snood with right side facing and to snood. Turn in top edge of fur elastic behind the edge with a crochet



The hat has the new tilted-forward line and a tidy, becoming snood. The astrakhan wool looks exactly like fur. The bag is as strong as it is smart.

BAG

YOU need 2ozs. W.B. Kwiknit astrakhan wool (squirrel), 1oz. 4-ply fingering red, 1 pair No. 6 needles, 1 pair No. 10 needles, 7-inch zip fastener. Sheet of cardboard pliable enough to bend without cracking. One yard wool braid about 1/2 in. wide.

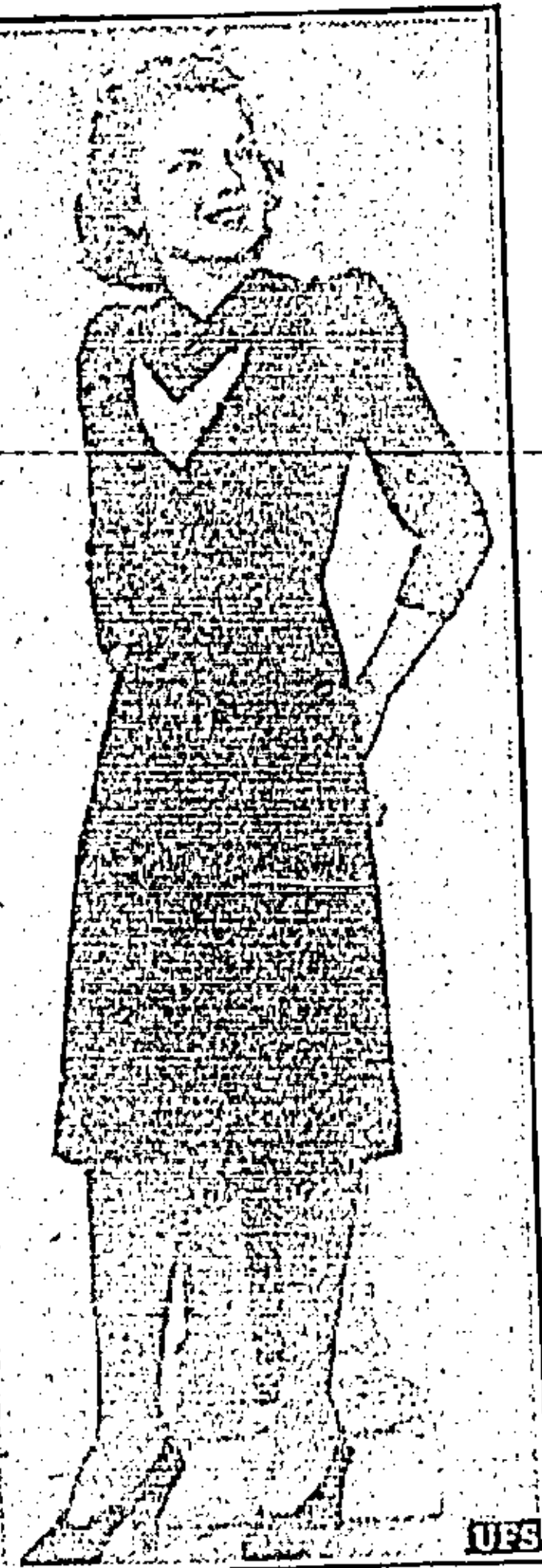
WITH No. 6 needles and 4-ply wool cast on 31 sts. Work 4 rows s.s. 5th row: Inc 1 st at beg and middle of row. 9 rows s.s. 9th row: Inc 1 st at middle and end of row. 3 rows s.s.

Repeat from 5th row until there are 43 sts. Continue until all wool is used up. Finish off neatly. Join in 4-ply wool and cast off very loosely.

LINING

With No. 10 needles and 4-ply wool cast on 75 sts. Work 4 rows s.s. Increase as for fur case until there are 95 sts, but work 6 rows s.s. between each increase row. Work 2 rows s.s. Cast off.

Make two rounds for the base. Cast on 12 sts, work in s.s. Increase 1 st at beg of every row until there are 32 sts. Work three rows without shaping. Decrease 1 st at beg of every row until there are 12 sts. Cast off.



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Left-Over Meats Make Chop Suey

By JUDITH WILSON

LOW-COST meals are needed more than ever at present to bring depressed budgets back into line. And the more expensive dishes there are in your recipe file, the easier this task is going to be. Thrifty dishes can, and should, be nutritious, filling and yet look appetizing when they come to the table. Meat is not only a popular food but contains body-building material necessary in a well-balanced diet. An attractive way of getting meat into the menu economically is to broil ground beef patties, either plain or wrapped in bacon. A T-bone shaped steak of chopped beef may be similarly prepared and served with broiled tomatoes or onions. Ground lamb shoulder made into bacon-wrapped patties and broiled like lamb chops is another thrifty idea which everyone is sure to like.

Left-over lamb, veal, pork or beef may be shredded and used in a savory chop suey dish as follows.

CHOP SUEY

- 1 to 2 cups shredded cooked meat
- 2 tablespoons fat
- 1 green pepper, shredded
- 2 cups onion, shredded
- 2 cups celery, shredded
- 2 cups thin gravy
- 2 cups sliced raw carrot or radishes

Brown the shredded meat in 1 tablespoon of fat. Cook green pepper and onions separately for a few minutes in the second tablespoon of fat. To this add meat, celery and thin gravy (meat broth or water may be used in place of gravy). Cover and cook slowly for 5 minutes. If the mixture needs thickening, add a little flour or cornstarch mixed with cold water, and cook a few minutes longer. Then add sliced raw carrot or sliced radishes. Season to taste with soy sauce and salt, and serve at once with fluffy boiled rice.

SCALLOPED SAUSAGE WITH POTATOES AND ONIONS

- 6 uncooked potatoes
- 1 1/2 cups pork sausage meat
- 1 cup thinly sliced onions
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 2 cups milk
- Parsley

Slice potatoes very thin. Arrange alternate layers of sausage, onions and potatoes in buttered casserole. Season. Cover with milk. Dot with butter and bake in moderate oven (375 degrees F.) for 1 1/2 hours. Deck with parsley.

MEAT BALLS IN TOMATO SAUCE

- 1 1/2 lbs. ground beef
- 1 small onion, chopped fine
- Salt and pepper
- 2 tablespoons fat
- 1 small can tomato soup

Combine meat, onion and seasonings. Form mixture into balls and fry in skillet with hot fat until nicely browned on both sides. Add tomato soup, cover, simmer, or bake slowly in a moderate oven (375 degrees F.) until sauce is thick and creamy, about 30 minutes.

ONE-EGG CAKE

- 2 cups sifted cake flour
- 2 teaspoons double-acting baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 4 tablespoons butter or other shortening

To measured sifted flour, add baking powder and salt, and sift together three times. Cream the shortening thoroughly. To this add sugar gradually, creaming together until thoroughly blended and light. Add egg and beat thoroughly. Add flour, alternately with milk, a small amount at a time, beating until smooth after each addition. Add vanilla. Bake in two greased 8-inch layer pans, or greased cup cake pans in moderate oven (375 degrees F.) 25 minutes, or until done.

LUSCIOUS LEMON FROSTING

- 1 tablespoon grated orange rind
- 3 tablespoons butter
- 3 cups sifted confectioners' sugar
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon water
- Dash of salt

Combine orange rind and butter, creaming well. Add part of sugar gradually, blending after each addition. Combine lemon juice and water. Add to creamed mixture, alternately with remaining sugar, until of right consistency to spread. Beat smooth after each addition. Add salt; cool, then spread over cake.



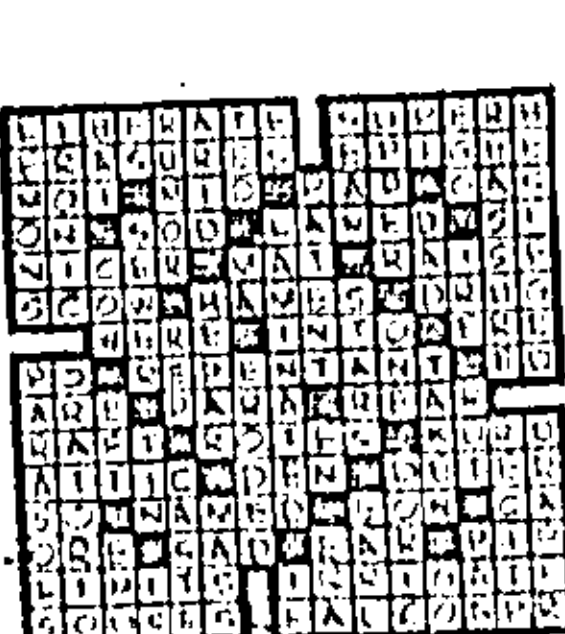
The slim silhouette, a tiered dress in mossy rayon crepe, black of course.

Crossword Puzzle

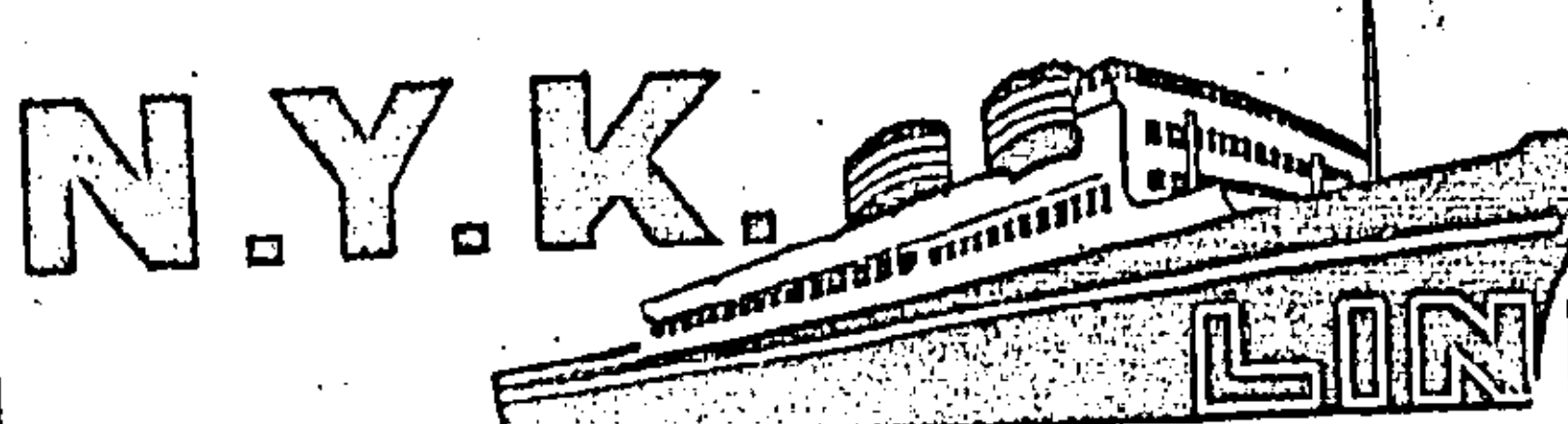
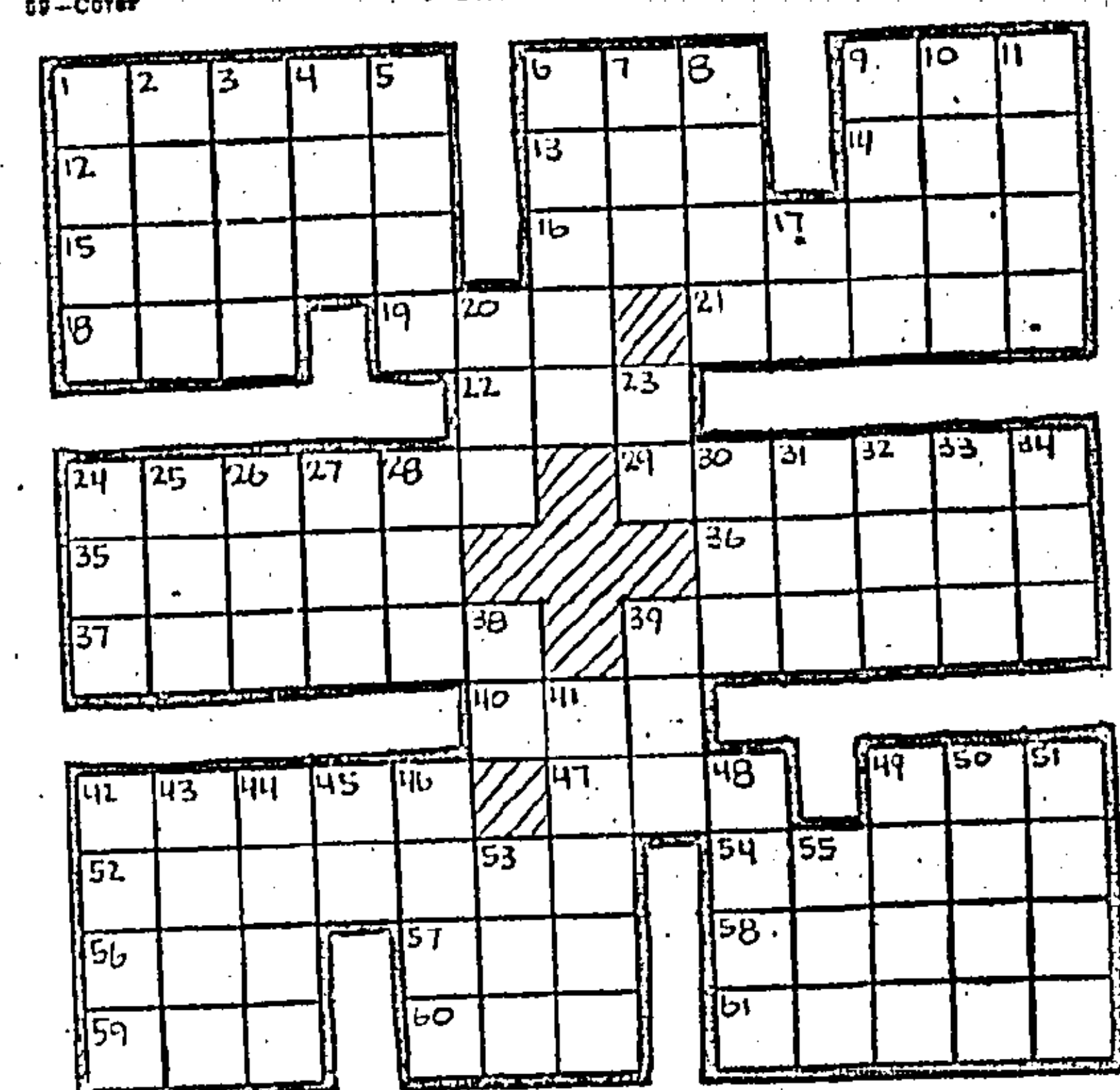
By LAIS MORRIS

- ACROSS
- 1—The Devil
 - 2—Hole
 - 3—Hill
 - 12—Make a speech
 - 13—Arabian name
 - 14—Butler; adherent of
 - 15—One with loathsome disease
 - 16—Roman household gods
 - 18—Compass point
 - 19—22¢
 - 21—Occurrence
 - 22—Beverage
 - 23—Building material
 - 24—Angry
 - 25—Hill
 - 27—Hole back
 - 28—Taste
 - 29—Exclamation
 - 30—Exhausted
 - 42—Lies
 - 43—Pertaining to knot
 - 44—(French)
 - 45—Anger
 - 46—Pail
 - 49—Cover

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



- DOWN
- 4—Units of light
 - 5—Runners
 - 6—Roman emperor
 - 7—Island (French)
 - 8—Front
 - 9—Astronomy
 - 10—Jun's class
 - 11—Astronomy
 - 17—Tutorship
 - 20—Treatise
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PICCALILLI uses up the odds and ends of cauliflowers, ridge cucumbers, vegetable marrow, onions, french beans, green or red tomatoes. Cut up vegetables into neat pieces. Drain Chop 2lbs. apples, 1 1/2lbs. onions, and ten well and pour over them boiling water seeded chili pods. Pour over them one pint through colander. Spread on cloth to drain, of vinegar which has been boiled with 1/4lb. For mixture—Half a cup of dry mustard, 1 1/2 cups of brown sugar, 1 1/4 cups of flour, hours before boiling.

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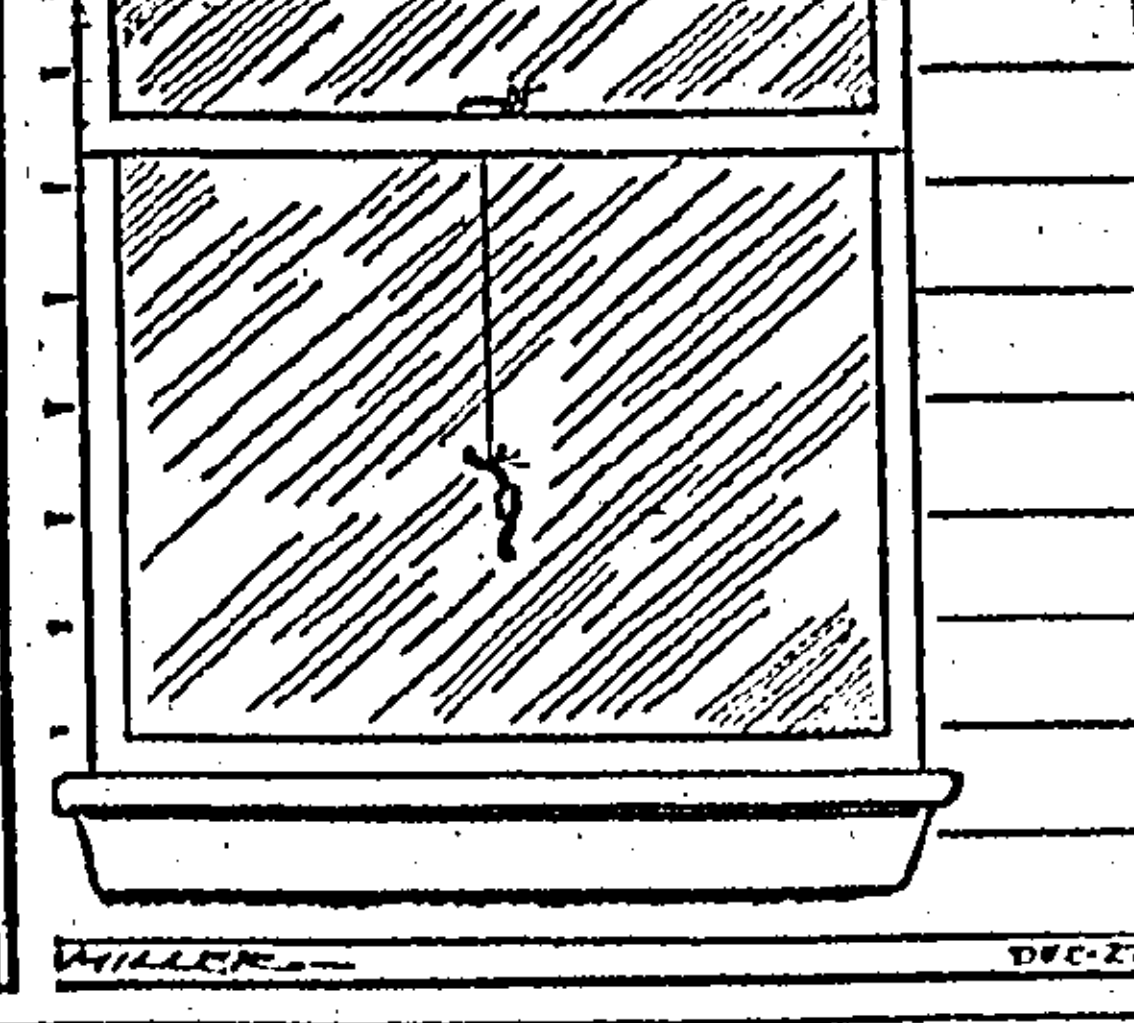
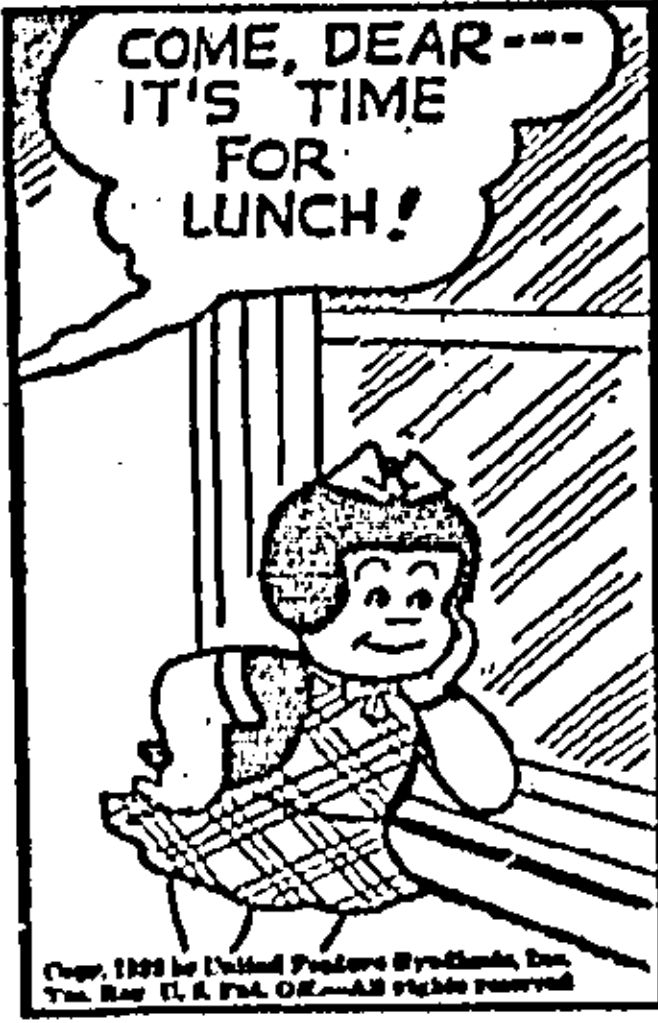
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By Ernie Bushmiller

CHAMPAGNE PARTY

Ninotchka and Count Leon d'Algot fall in love before they know each other's identity. She is in Paris to sell the Duchess Swana's jewels for the Soviet. He is the sweetheart and representative of the Duchess, with an injunction pending to prevent the sale of the jewels. But love finds a way, and they are together when the Duchess discovers them at a night club and tries to lord it over Ninotchka as she would have done in the old Russia. She comes off second best, and Ninotchka takes champagne to wash the taste out of her mouth.

NINOTCHKA

From The Novel By
MELCHIOR LENGYEL
Adaptation By
LEBBEUS MITCHELL

LEON filled their glasses. "Darling," he said "the only thing that will be over on Thursday is the law suit. There will be no Thursday for us—not next week or any week. We won't let it happen. I'll tear it out of the calendar..."

"Wonderful," she breathed, touched by his sincerity, "if one could believe it."

"You must, darling." She lifted her glass. "To the loveliest story I ever heard."

As they drank, the orchestra started to play, and Ninotchka, fearful of the emotional path into which the conversation had strayed, suggested, "shall we dance?"

She had taken but a few steps in the waltz when the effect of the unaccustomed champagne made itself felt. "Oo-oh, darling!" she said tipsily. "Something is the matter."

"You just made the trip from goats to grapes a little too quickly."

"Oh, everything is so wonderful! Thursday's getting further and further away."

"Yes, don't worry. Everything will be all right."

"Comrades! comrades!" cried Ninotchka gaily, addressing the crowd on the dance floor.

"Darling! Darling!" he sought the embarrassed Leon. "Please!"

"I must talk to my brothers. I am People. I want to make a speech. I want to overthrow the Duchess."

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"SHE resisted. 'Comrades! Good people of France! They are all Duchesses here, Leon. The Duchess and I am, going to tell them—'

"Quite right, yes, yes," agreed Leon, now that he had almost reached the powder room, "but first you are going in that door and you are going to take a little spirit of ammonia and lie down."

"No speech?" she asked sweetly.

"No speech, darling."

"I love you, my little Leonotchka!"

"And I adore you, Ninotchka. Now in with you!"

She went unsteadily through the door, and he repaired to the bar, ordered a double brandy and tossed it off. He had been at

the bar but a few minutes when the manager of the night club came up to him in great excitement.

"I'm very sorry, Count d'Algot, it is most embarrassing, but the lady you brought with you is spreading communistic propaganda in the powder room."

Leon stared, then ordered another double brandy. "What can I do about it?"

"She's inciting the attendants to go on strike. She has been asked to leave, without success. We would appreciate it if you would see to it yourself."

"You want me to go in there?"

"I'm sorry, but I must insist that you get her out."

It was some hours later that Leon and Ninotchka, both very tipsy, entered the Royal Suite at the Hotel Clarence.

Leon carried a bottle of champagne with a napkin about it. They reached a couch and sank down on it. Ninotchka moved up close to Leon.

"Are we going to build our little house?" she asked happily.

"Yes, a little white house."

"Not white, darling. Don't let's have any colour. No colour. Just a house. Let's form our own party."

"Right! Lovers of the world, unite!"

"And we won't stretch our arms and clench our fists."

"No, no."

"And our salute will be a kiss, won't it, Leon?"

"Yes, a kiss. . . . Salute!"

She sank into his arms and kissed him, murmuring: "I am so happy. No one can be so happy without being punished. I will be punished and I should be punished."

She got up suddenly. "I want to confess, darling."

"I know. It's the Russian soul. I am a traitor. When I kissed you I betrayed the Russian ideal. Leon, stand me up against the wall."

"All right, if that'll make you happier."

He led her to one end of the room, still lugging the champagne bottle, stood her against the wall, covered her eyes with the napkin from the bottle. Then he walked away, starting to extract the cork.

There was a sudden pop, and Ninotchka sank into chair, saying happily: "I have paid the penalty. Now let's have some music."

"Let's turn on the radio," he suggested.

"It's a little box, with a little knob you turn."

She started to hunt, repeating, "Little knob. . . . Little knob." ended up in front of the safe. She opened the concealing door and saw the safe's dial. "Here it is!"

"What shall we get?" she asked.

"The news?"

"No. We don't want to know what's going on. We want to be left alone, don't we?"

"Yes, sweetheart. . . . all by ourselves."

"Well then," she said memory coming to her vaguely, "turn twice to the right and stop at seven."



belong to the same party. . . . Salute!"

They embraced again, and she said with vague happiness: "Now twice to the left and stop at seventeen."

He followed instructions and they found themselves staring into the open safe. "No music," she said, disappointed. "There they are. They are terrible things, those jewels."

"But big," he said.

"They are the tears of old Russia. See that one?"

"Who cried that one?"

"Czar Peter gave it to his wife. For it he sold 10,000 serfs."

"Don't say that, darling. Some day when I come home to you I may say, 'Darling, I drove Gaston to the market and look what I got for him!'"

He took from the jewels in the safe a beautiful diamond and held it in front of her. "Come, sweetheart, let me put it on you. You will teach these jewels. For the first time they will learn how they look."

"They belong to the People."

In a very ceremonial voice he said: "I give them back to the people. . . . I make you Ninotchka the Great. . . . Grand Duchess of the People!" He placed the diamond fumblingly on her head. "Is this the wish of the masses?" she asked, falling in with his imaginings.

"It is their wish."

"Thank you, Leon. Thank you, masses." Then low to Leon: "Can I make a speech now?"

"Please do."

Swedish Exports Diverted

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—A conference between Swedish and Norwegian State Railway representatives at Ostersund is reported to have agreed to the diverting of Swedish exports from Baltic to Norwegian ports.

At the time when Germany first seized Swedish cargoes and pulp, certain Swedish producers took steps to ensure warehouse accommodation in Norwegian ports with the view to such diversion.

Reich Not Sending Arms To Russia

BERLIN, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—Official circles scoff at reports made that Germany is sending arms and munitions to Soviet Russia.

"Such stories are unfounded nonsense," is the official comment.

NINOTCHKA stood up and, standing, she said: "Comrades! People of the World! The revolution is on the march. Wars will wash over us."

bombs will fall. . . . all civilization will crumble, but not yet. Wait, please wait, wait. . . . What's the hurry? Let us be happy. . . . give us our moment." She turned appealingly to Leon. "We are happy, aren't we, Leon?"

"Yes, sweetheart. Very happy." His arms supported her as she sank blissfully into a chair.

"So happy and. . . so. . . tired," she murmured, and fell asleep.

He gathered her in his arms, the diamond still on her head, and carried her into the bedroom, put her gently down on the bed. Kissing her once more, he stole with

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INJURED BOYS FLOWN TO HOSPITAL

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—After two days of battling against merciless snow storms in an Army transport plane, two injured C.C.C. boys from Arizona are now undergoing medical treatment here.

One, a boy of 19, is suffering from a broken back. The other, a kid of 17 years, has a broken arm and shoulder received in a lorry accident on Christmas Day.

When they did not respond to treatment at the camp it was decided to bring them here by air but snow storms sprang up, and the plane had to come down at Salt Lake City for a while.

They landed at Hamilton Field on Sunday and were rushed by Army Ambulance across San Francisco Bay bridge to the military hospital.

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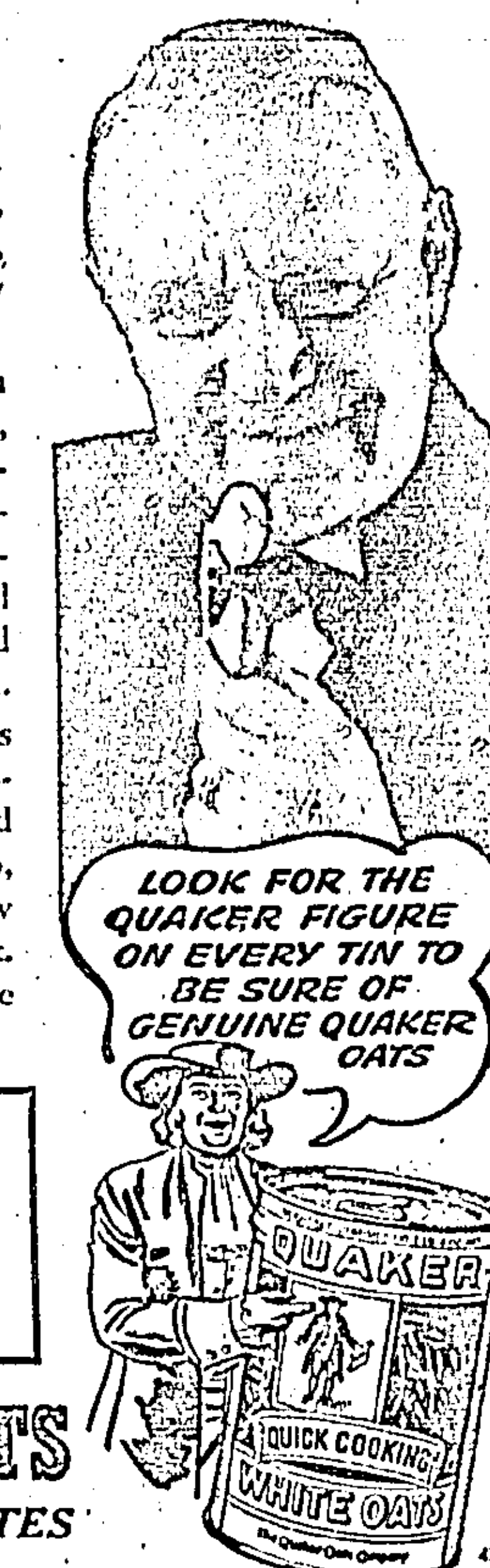
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SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—After two days of battling against merciless snow storms in an Army transport plane, two injured C.C.C. boys from Arizona are now undergoing medical treatment here.

One, a boy of 19, is suffering from a broken back. The other, a kid of 17 years, has a broken arm and shoulder received in a lorry accident on Christmas Day.

When they did not respond to treatment at the camp it was decided to bring them here by air but snow storms sprang up, and the plane had to come down at Salt Lake City for a while.

They landed at Hamilton Field on Sunday and were rushed by Army Ambulance across San Francisco Bay bridge to the military hospital.

More Unemployed Last Month

LONDON, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—The number of unemployed on the registers on January 15 showed an increase of over 157,000 compared with December 11, last.

Over 130,000 of the increase are accounted for by the fact that industries were adversely affected by frost and snow.

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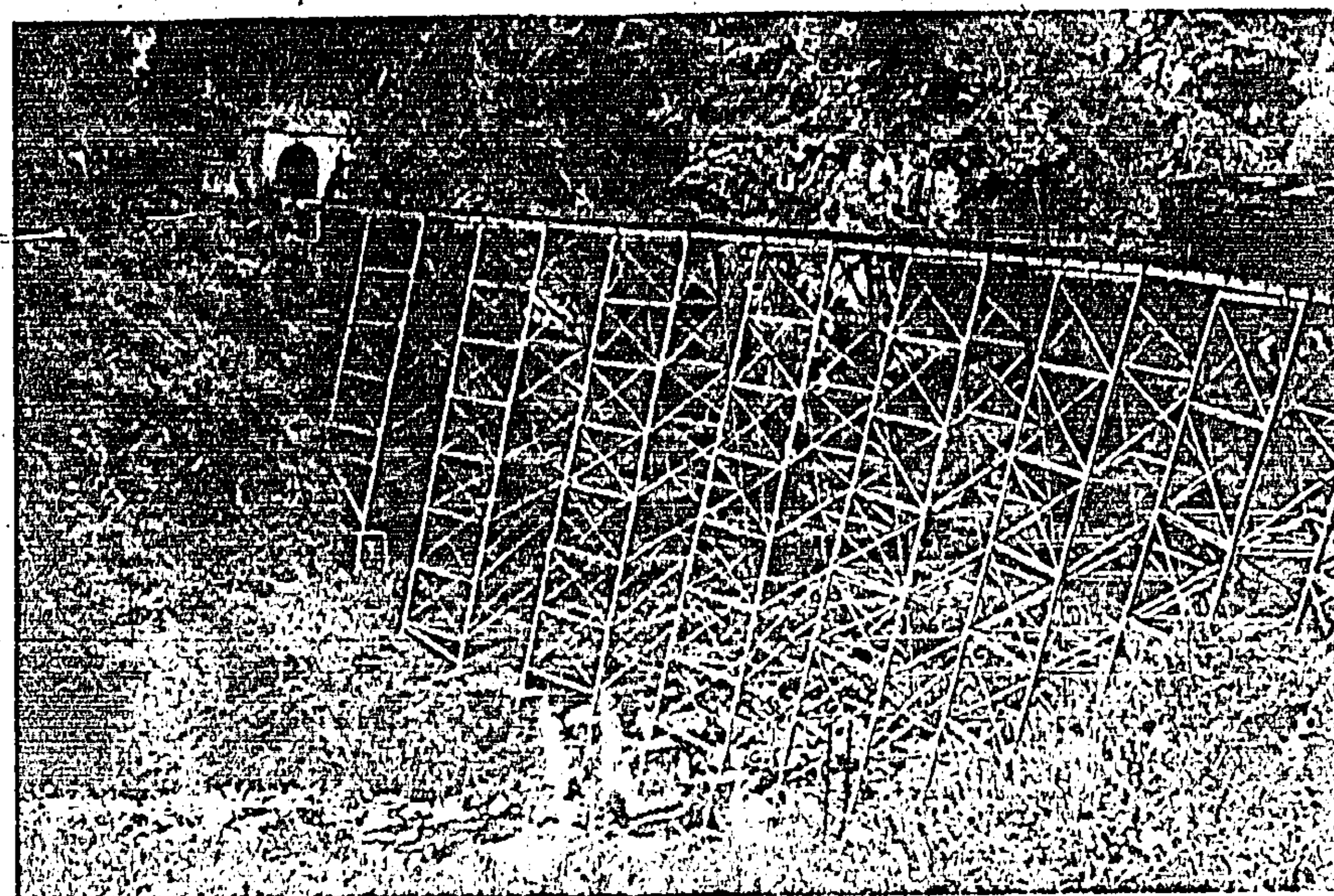
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SCENE OF YUNNAN RAILWAY BOMBING.—This exclusive photograph shows the lattice bridge and tunnel on the Yunnan Railway, bombed by Japanese planes as a train was passing en route to French Indo-China.

A passenger carriage was completely destroyed by a bomb, which struck the train just as it was entering the tunnel shown above. Latest estimates are that the dead and injured total between 200 and 300.

Those known to be killed exceed 110 and include about ten foreigners, including Madame Daviet, wife of a French Railway Inspector, and their daughter and son.

LATE NEWS

C. P. LINER TORPEDOED

10,000 Freighter Is U-Boat Victim

LONDON, Feb. 6 (Reuter).—It is understood that the 10,000-ton Canadian Pacific liner Beaverburn has been sunk in the Atlantic by a German U-Boat.

The Beaverburn, which was launched at Dumbarton in 1927, was one of five "Beaver" class freighters operated by the Canadian Pacific Line on their trans-Atlantic service.

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Amazing Story of New Finnish Triumph on Ladoga Front RED DIVISION BECOMES DISORGANISED RABBLE

Russian G.H.Q. Ignores Reverse, Orders More Men Into Death Trap

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 6 (UP).—THE GREAT FINNISH VICTORY ON THE KITELA FRONT NORTH-EAST OF LAKE LADOGA WAS RENDERED POSSIBLE WHEN THE FINNISH FORTIFICATIONS ON MANTA ISLAND, IN LAKE LADOGA, FINALLY BROKE THE RUSSIAN LINES OF COMMUNICATION, ACCORDING TO THE "DAGEBS NYHETER'S" CORRESPONDENT WITH THE FINNISH FORCES.

The 18th Red Division has been completely wiped out. The disaster is likened to that which overcame the Russians at Suomussalmi in December.

TERRIFIC HAVOC IN FINN CITIES

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 6 (UP).—Bright sunshine is permitting the Russian air force to wreck further havoc on Finnish cities, towns and villages behind the lines.

Viborg, Aabo, Soltavalla, Ckenas and Kajami suffered especially from yesterday's raids.

In Aabo, the volunteer fire brigades were forced to dynamite several buildings in an effort to prevent the spreading of several tremendous fires caused by incendiary bombs, which were dropped during a series of day-long raids.

Most of the important buildings in the city have been completely destroyed, either by direct hits by high explosive bombs.

The destroyed buildings include the Swedish Consulate, a girls' high school, a church, a boys' high school, several official buildings and the office of Aabo's leading newspaper.

Greatest Ever

The raids are claimed to be the most destructive ever launched over a city.

It is estimated that between 60 and 70 civilians have been killed.

An official communication issued in Helsinki states that Russian aircraft severely raided Kajami.

A Swedish ambulance unit working in Finland was the object of two Russian bombers on separate raids. The ambulance was carrying several patients but escaped with only slight damage.

145 Civilians Die
The official report of the Air Raid Precautions Committee states that Soviet air activity behind the front lines during the week ending February 3 resulted in the deaths of 145 civilians and injury to 170 others.

A total of 6,600 bombs of various types—or almost a thousand a day—were dropped in 141 different localities.

Six hospitals were struck by bombs.

It has also been officially announced that the first Danish volunteer airman in Finland, Fritz Rasmussen, has been killed in operations on the Finnish front.

Rasmussen "deserted" from the Danish air force just before Christmas in order to join the Finnish air force.

TREE VANDALS SENTENCED

Cheung Lai-kwok and Cheung Lun, both 20, appeared before Mr. T. J. Houston at Central Magistracy this morning, and were each sentenced to one month hard labour and ordered to be expelled from the Colony.

Cheung Lai-kwok admitted stealing 15 small tree branches from the garden of Mrs. T. A. Martin at No. 377 Barker Road on Sunday, and Cheung Lun with cutting 14 banana leaves from a tree near the Upper Peak Tram station.

Sub-inspector Daysting prosecuted, and produced records showing previous convictions against defendants.

GERMANS TO BE RELEASED

Arita-States-Nine-H.K. Internees To Be Freed

NINE OF THE twenty-one Germans who were taken off the Asama Maru by a British naval unit, and are now interned in Hongkong, are to be returned to Japan, according to a "Domei" message received from Tokyo just as this edition went to press.

Authority for this allegation is Mr. H. Arita, the Japanese Foreign Minister.

Mr. Arita told the Japanese Diet this morning that Britain, in addition to releasing nine of the 21 Germans, has expressed regret for the fact that the Asama Maru incident had aroused the feelings of the Japanese nation.

"Although a complete settlement of the incident has not yet been reached, negotiations have reached an important stage," Mr. Arita said.

He expressed the belief that the Asama Maru incident would not be paralleled in the future.

Japan, he said, intended to continue negotiations for the return of the remaining 12 Germans.

The nine Germans who are to be released are not closely connected with the Nazi military service, Mr. Arita said.

The British and Japanese Notes on the incident are to be made public simultaneously in London and Tokyo at 5 p.m. to-day.

Virtual Agreement

LONDON, Feb. 6 (Reuter).—Unofficial circles in London state that Britain and Japan have "virtually agreed" on a solution to the Asama Maru case by which a certain number of the captured Germans will be allowed to return to Japan.

The Japanese, it is reported, will in return refuse to carry any more Germans of military age on Japanese ships while Britain will undertake not to search Japanese ships.

Germans And N.Y.K. Ships

SHANGHAI, Feb. 6 (Reuter).—German passengers of military age are not permitted to travel on N.Y.K. steamers, according to the local Press.

Intending German passengers must certify that they are not members of fighting forces, but persons having passports with "J", denoting that the bearer is a Jew, are permitted to

Suomussalmi in December.

The Russian division, which numbered 20,000 men, has been completely disorganised and dispersed.

Those not killed or taken prisoner have become a rabble whose only thought is to find their way back to Russian soil.

After the Russian lines of communication were broken by the Finnish artillery, Finnish ski troops attacked the 18th Division from the rear in a manoeuvre similar to that employed at Suomussalmi.

Seven Thousand Dead

In the battle before the Russian division became totally disorganised, seven thousand Red troops were killed.

The greater part of these were frozen to death after suffering wounds.

Most of the retreating Russians are now unarmed and footless. The Finns are calmly picking them off, one by one.

Although all hope of a flanking movement has now ended, the Russians are still attempting to break the Mannerheim Line chain of fortifications by costly frontal attacks.

Frontal Attacks

Scandinavian radio reports claim that the Russians succeeded in advancing in the Summa sector following continuation of the heavy offensive against the centre of the Finnish defences, and a major battle is now raging in front of the Mannerheim Line outpost.

The Red G.H.Q. is pouring more and more men into the attack with a reckless disregard of the cost in lives.

Thousands of Russians lie dead in the new No Man's Land between the Mannerheim Line outposts and the Red trenches.

The Russian troops were moved down like flies as they attempted, in attack after attack, to storm the Finnish outposts.

A Finnish report claims that the Russian losses are tremendous but also admits that there have been heavy losses on both sides.

Danger Admitted

The Finns admit that the Russian attack, which may succeed through the employment of overwhelming numbers of troops in Russia's aerial "scam-roller" tactics, is dangerous.

If the Russians should succeed in breaking the Mannerheim Line, there would be little resistance for some miles behind it, and they would immediately gain control of the important Viborg Railway.

The Russian trenches are now approximately 17½ miles from Viborg, which is the second largest city in Finland.

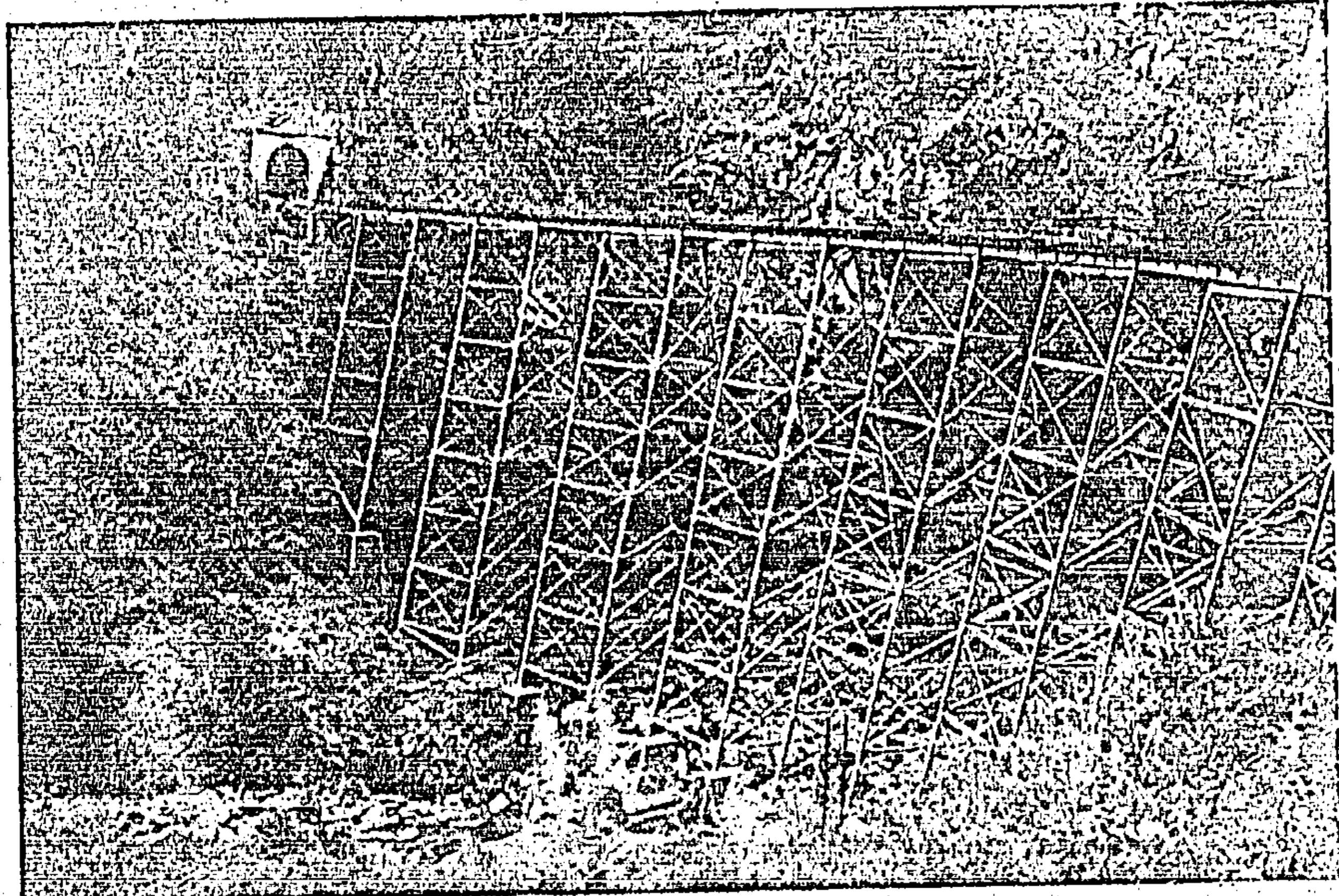
Behind their trenches, their artillery is methodically pounding the city, which is suffering severely not only from this bombardment but also from constant air raids.

Two hundred houses have been destroyed in the city since Saturday, and salvage operations are considerably hindered by the bitter weather, which is considerably below zero.

Similar conditions exist at Soltavalla and Ckenas.

travel on N.Y.K. vessels without hindrance.

Officials of the N.Y.K. said that while Germans are not barred from travelling in the Company's ships, they are informed that they are doing so at their own risk.



SCENE OF YUNNAN-RAILWAY BOMBING.—This exclusive photograph shows the lattice bridge and tunnel on the Yunnan Railway, bombed by Japanese planes as a train was passing en route to French Indo-China.

INTERPORTERS IN COLLISION

SHANGHAI, Feb. 6 (UP).—The British steamer Esang, carrying the Hongkong Interport Rigger team to Shanghai, collided with the Greek steamship, Livathos, at 5 a.m. to-day off Woosung.

Two members of the Chinese crew were injured as the result of the collision.

Four of the Esang's plates were damaged.

However, the hole was above the water-line and the ship arrived in port safely.

YUNNAN OUTRAGE: TOLL MOUNTING

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

KUNMING, Feb. 6 (UP).—The full story of the Yunnan Railway outrage is slowly being revealed.

It is believed that the casualties number between 200 and 300. Exact figures are impossible to obtain at present, owing to the mutilation of bodies which occurred when the bomb hit the bridge and completely smashed the passenger carriages.

Hongkong May Become Important Control Base

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Feb. 6 (UP).—Hongkong may become a British Contraband Control base if Britain decided to establish regular control in the Pacific.

Informed quarters here believe that Great Britain will establish a regular Contraband Control system in the Pacific whenever she feels it would be justifiable, and Hongkong is regarded as the most likely location.

It is pointed out, however, that a Contraband Control base anywhere in the Pacific would be most expensive to operate anywhere in the world, and would be justified only if a considerable volume of material were shipped to Germany by that route.

Britain is believed to be closely watching the movement of contraband cargoes en route to Germany via Vladivostok and the trans-Siberian railway.

Expensive For Nazis

Informed circles believe that Britain would act vigorously if the movement of contraband along this route became important.

They point to the fact, however, that it would be most expensive for Germany, and would be justified only as an extreme measure.

Although Britain has no regular contraband control base anywhere in the Pacific, it is recalled that the Soviet steamer Selanga, which was enroute from Manila to Vladivostok, was brought into Hongkong after having been intercepted near Formosa.

The Asama Maru incident also gives evidence that Britain is closely watching the Pacific route.

LOWLANDS' SENSATION

Two Army C-in-C's Resign Commands

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

THE HAGUE, Feb. 6 (UP).—With dramatic suddenness, Lieut. Gen. I. H. Reynndars, Commander-in-Chief of the Netherlands Army, has tendered his resignation to the Government.

It is stated that Lieut. General Reynndars resigned as a result of differences with the Cabinet.

The Premier has announced that Lieut. General Reynndars will be succeeded by Major General H. G. Winkelman, Commander of the Air Defences at Utrecht and Soesterberg.

The resignation of Lieut. Gen. Reynndars follows closely upon a similar sensation in Belgium last week, when the Chief of Staff of the Belgian Army, General Vandenberg, tendered his resignation.

Unconfirmed reports stated that the Belgian C. in C. had also resigned because of differences with the Cabinet.

In his case, the disagreement was reported to be on the subject of maintaining Belgian forces at full mobilisation, which the Minister for National Defence opposed.

Among the European dead are: Madame Daviet, wife of a French official of the Railway Line; M. Daviet, her son; M. and Mme. Alfred and son.

Passengers state that the train was just entering the tunnel when the Japanese planes commenced to bomb it from a low altitude.

Most of the Japanese bombs fell wide of their target.

But about a dozen hit and damaged the lattice bridge.

The damage was insufficiently severe to wreck the bridge, which was repaired by yesterday afternoon and over which trains are now proceeding.

One of the Japanese bombers was struck by Chinese anti-aircraft fire the bridge is well protected by "arches" on surrounding hills—and fell in the east Yunnan district.

Funerals In Hanoi

The remains of Messdames Alfred and Daviet and their two children have been conveyed to Hanoi, where they were buried yesterday.

M. Alfred's body has not yet been recovered. It is believed that he has been burned beyond recognition.

The passenger carriage in which the Europeans and many Chinese were travelling was among those which caught fire, and many of the passengers were incinerated.

The trains on the Yunnan Railway always place the first class carriages nearest the engine.

The locomotive had entered the tunnel when the first bomb exploded. Subsequent bombs wrecked the entrance to the tunnel, causing a landslide which engulfed one of the leading carriages.

Fire added to the horror and many people were additionally killed by attempting to leap over the bridge to the bed of the river far below.

So far 110 bodies have been recovered. Many cannot be identified.

U.S. Horror

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 (UP).—Feeling against Japan has intensified in political circles as a result of the Yunnan Railway outrage.

The United States has already

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Wrecked On Coral Island AIR LINER RESCUES

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TAIHKU, Feb. 6 (Domei).—The remarkable rescue of nine passengers and the crew of four of a Douglas air-liner which disappeared whilst on a flight from Japan to Formosa was revealed to-day with the discovery of the missing men on a small uninhabited coral island in the China Sea.

The air-liner disappeared on Monday whilst on a flight from Fukuoka to Taihoku.

Rescue ships and several other planes were immediately despatched to search for the lost air-liner.

The search continued all throughout yesterday afternoon, without success.

Then, after dusk had fallen, the pilot of a rescue plane decided to turn for home and abandon the search.

Saw Flickering Light

En route back to Japan he passed over a small coral island, rising only a few feet from the sea, in the Uvoturi group.

It was too dark to see whether anything was on the island but, after he had passed, he observed a small flickering light.

He circled over the island again and, a few minutes later, saw a fire burst into flames.

It was then too dark to undertake rescue operations, so the pilot, Captain Matsunami, zoomed once or twice over the island in order to let the people below know that he had sighted their fire, and then proceeded back to Fukuoka.

Filled Up On Island

At dawn this morning, the pilot returned to the island and saw the wreckage of the lost monoplane piled up on the northern end.

The survivors indicated their presence.

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LATEST

VOLUNTEER OFFICER CHARGED

Sequel To Death Of Young Boy

DRESSED in military uniform, Lieut. Thomas Parkinson, 51, of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, appeared at the Central Magistracy this afternoon on an adjourned charge of unlawfully killing Wong Chiu-lan, whilst driving his car along Bonham Road on December 23.

Parkinson was represented by the Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almeida, Jr., instructed by Mr. D. L. Strollet. Mr. H. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney General, prosecuted, assisted by Traffic Inspector Saunders.

The case was heard by Mr. R. Edwards.

Evidence was given by Wong Shi, grand-mother of Wong Chiu-lan who she said, was nine years old at the time of his death.

She said that the boy seldom went out and normally was very careful when out. He always looked both ways before crossing any street. She gave evidence of having identified the body at the Mortuary.

Dr. Ling Ko Dieh, of the Queen Mary Hospital, in evidence said that he saw Parkinson on December 23 at

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WE CAN'T LOSE WAR

Says Influential U.S. Association
WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 (UP).—The illimitable resources of the British Dominions will win the war for the Allies.

This statement is issued by the Foreign Policy Association, which has issued a report on the effect of the war on world production and trade.

Because Germany has no like resources upon which she can call, she cannot hope to win a protracted war, states the Association.

In addition to the vast resources of the Dominions, Britain can count upon supplies from the United States and other neutrals, denied to the Nazis.

In terms of both man-power and economic capacity, the British Dominions are far better prepared than they were in 1914 to defend their own territories and assist the United Kingdom, the neutral report adds.

Increased Potential

"The economic war potential of Canada has increased enormously since the 1914-18 war."

"To-day, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa are producing vast quantities of airplanes and raw materials, as well as trained soldiers."

As a result of the increased production on a war basis in the Dominions, the Association envisages the establishment of greater economic nationalism in these countries after the war.

"It is, however, too early yet to determine whether or not there will be this development of economic nationalism," the report concludes.

BIG DUMP EXPLODES

BASLE, Feb. 6 (Reuters).—Confirmation has now been received of the explosion of a huge munitions dump behind the Siegfried Line during the week-end.

In addition, it is learned that electrical works, petrol supplies and stores were destroyed.

The Nazi explanation is that a "few cans of petrol" caught fire owing to the carelessness of the workers, but this does not account for the tremendous force of the explosion.

Veterans Press For Independence

Manila, Feb. 5. The Philippine Veterans' Association, at its annual convention voted as being in favour of early independence and condemned the proposal of re-examination as a "betrayal." The President of the Association, General Emilio Aguinaldo, expressed the hope that the Japanese-American relations would be smoothed out. "Should difficulties break out before we have our independence, there is every danger that we might not get it, and it might bring forth a new master," he declared. "This is the chief reason why we are reiterating that America should grant us our freedom—the earlier the better." United Press.

TRADE TALKS SUSPENDED

BOMBAY, Feb. 5 (Dome).—It is reliably learned that in view of the tardy progress in the proposed Japan-India trade talks, both sides have agreed to suspend negotiations for a while.

40 U-BOATS SUNK

PARIS, Feb. 5 (Reuters).—The Navy Minister, M. Camille, announced yesterday that at least 40 U-boats had been sunk by the Allied navies since the outbreak of war.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

BANK HOLIDAYS.

In accordance with Government Ordinance, The Exchange Banks will be closed for the transaction of Public Business on Thursday and Friday, the 8th and 9th February, 1940. (China New Year Holidays).
Hongkong, 5th February, 1940.

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

THE ANNUAL SHOW OF FLOWERS AND VEGETABLES will be held at ST. JOHN'S PLACE (opposite the lower Peak Tram Station) on Tuesday, the 5th March, 1940, from 3 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. and Wednesday, the 6th March, 1940, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

ENTRIES WILL DEFINITELY CLOSE at the Hon. Secretary's office, Stock Exchange Building, Ice House Street, at NOON on THURSDAY, the 22nd February, 1940, but intending exhibitors are requested to send in their entries as early as possible.

MEMBERS who have not yet paid their subscriptions and ALL THOSE who wish to join the Society are requested to send \$5.00 to the undersigned.

J. T. BAGRAM,

Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1940.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FORTY-SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THIS COMPANY WILL BE held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on Friday, the 16th February, 1940, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 9th February, 1940, to Friday, the 16th February, 1940, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,

C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary and Manager.
Hongkong, 25th January, 1940.

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS

of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 12th day of February, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Chuk Un, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof. Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

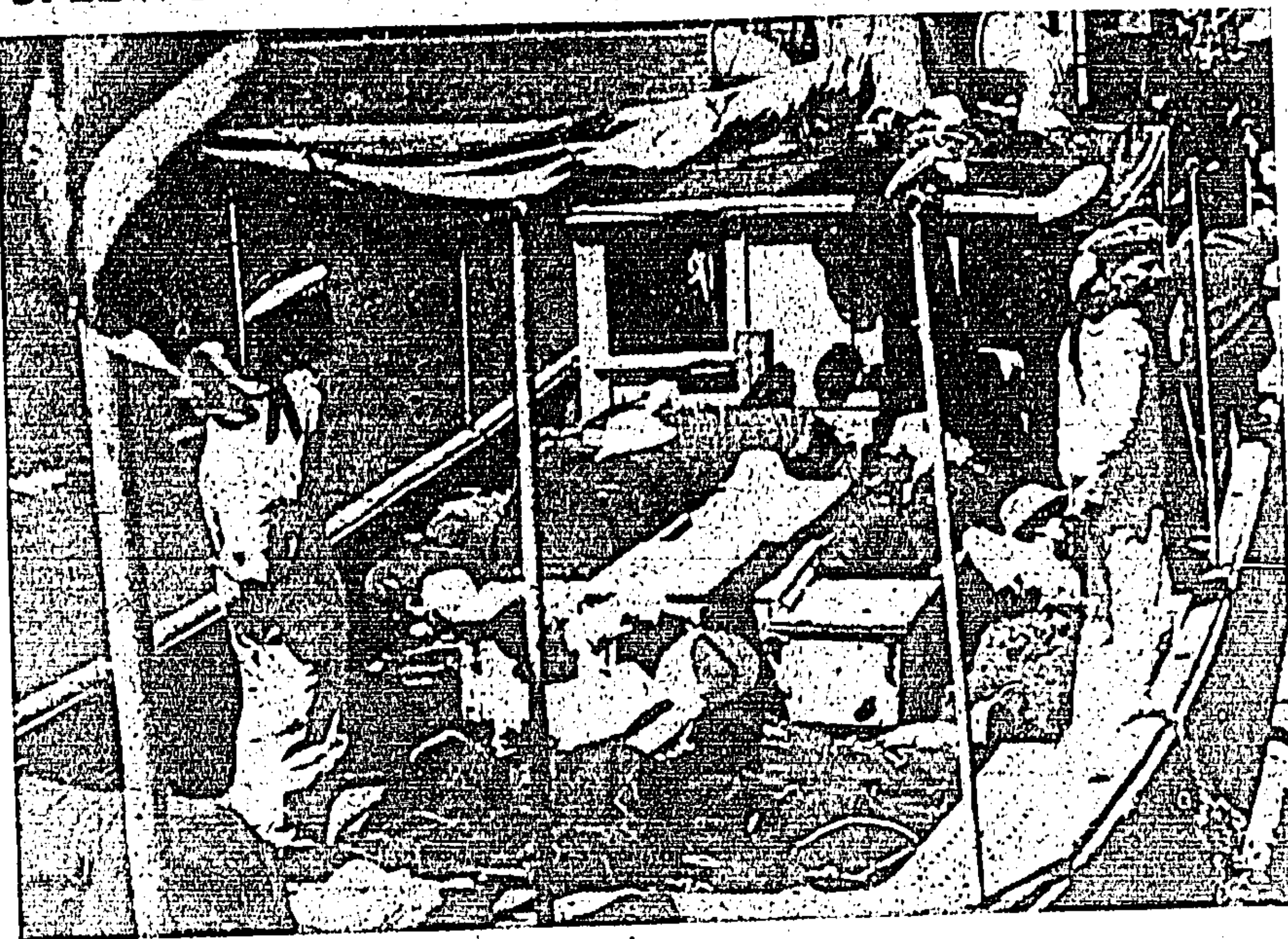
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Majesties Return To London

LONDON, Feb. 5 (Reuters).—Their Majesties the King and Queen returned to Buckingham Palace this afternoon after spending the week-end at Windsor.

THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY THERAPION NO. 1 THERAPION NO. 2 THERAPION NO. 3

BRINGING THE GRAF SPEEWOUNDEDASHORE



THE FINAL CHAPTER. Wounded from the Admiral Graf Spee are brought ashore to Montevideo to be interned.—Fox Movietone News.

Passive Attitude Deprecated

Belgian Chamber Leader's Warning

BRUSSELS, Feb. 5 (Reuters).—The speech last night by M. Cauplate, President of the Chamber and leader of the Flemish Right Party, in which he aligned himself with Government on neutrality has aroused considerable interest in political circles.

He rebuked certain Flemish Nationalists who, he said, believed that the test of neutrality was solely respect for Belgium's frontiers and added: "Our neutrality is freely undertaken and not forced upon us. If Southern Holland were invaded, we should be in a position to revise our viewpoint."

"What guarantees for the maintenance of our independence could we possibly have if Holland were attacked? We must beware of adopting a passive attitude."

EFFORT MADE TO PAVE UNITY IN INDIA

GANDHI HAS LONG CONVERSATION WITH LORD LINLITHGOW

NEW DELHI, Feb. 5 (Reuters).—Mahatma Gandhi had a 2½ hour conversation with the Viceroy this morning.

This conversation had been awaited with expectancy as it was arranged with a view to making a further effort to solve the constitutional problem and to reach a settlement of the Hindu-Moslem differences.

A communique issued following the conversation said: "In response to an invitation from His Excellency, Mahatma Gandhi to-day came to see the Viceroy."

"A prolonged and very friendly discussion took place during which the whole position was exhaustively examined."

"Mahatma Gandhi made it clear from the outset that he had no mandate from the Congress Working Committee and that he was not empowered to commit it in any way. He could speak on behalf of himself only."

"His Excellency set out in some detail the intentions and proposals of His Majesty's Government."

"He emphasised, in the first place, that their earnest desire was that India should attain Dominion status at the earliest possible moment and that they would facilitate the achievement of that status by all the means in their power."

Complexity Of Issues

The communique from the Viceroy drew attention to the complexity and difficulty of certain issues that called for disposal in that connection, in particular the issue of defence in the Dominion position.

He made clear that His Majesty's Government was only too willing to listen with representatives of all parties when the time came.

He also made clear the anxiety of His Majesty's Government to shorten the transitional period and to bridge it as effectively as possible.

The Viceroy drew attention to the fact that the Federal Scheme Act, while at present in suspense, afforded the swiftest stepping-stone towards Dominion status and its adoption.

The consent of all concerned, he stated, would facilitate the solution of many problems that had to be faced in that connection.

The Viceroy added that an offer which he had made in November for the expansion of the Governor Gen-

COLUMBUS PROTEST

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 5 (Reuters).—A protest against the confinement of 512 sailors from the scuttled German liner, Columbus, on an island in San Francisco Bay has been voiced by the German Consulate.

The German Vice-Consul denounced the action of the United States emigration department in cancelling shore leave for the crew of the Columbus and has forwarded an official report to the German Embassy.

This may develop into an international incident if the German Embassy sends a formal protest to the Department of State.

U.S. Fleet To Hold Manoeuvre Will Test European Naval Methods

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 (UP).

Methods of warfare developed in the war in Europe are to be tested by the U.S. Grand Fleet during the forthcoming manoeuvres, which will be held in the Pacific Ocean in March.

The mimic war will last for two months.

The U.S. Naval High Command plans to deploy 130 warships and 350 warplanes in the exercises, which are designed to test the effectiveness of American defences in the light of the latest developments in the European War.

Tactics employed by the British and German Navy will be studied and employed in the U.S. manoeuvres.

Attack On Warships

The exercises will pay particular attention to the dangers of attack on warships by aircraft and submarines.

In these two important factors, the Navy's "Blue" campaign and aerial attacks on British shipping will provide precedents upon which the U.S. High Command will base its tactics.

The manoeuvres—officially designated as Fleet Problem No. 21—will be conducted in the greatest secrecy.

Area Not Revealed

All data, even to the exact extent of the area over which the fleet will manoeuvre, is being kept strictly confidential.

It is known, however, that the operations contemplate the division of the U.S. Fleet into two opposing forces.

Admiral Snyder, Commander-in-Chief of the U.S. Battle Fleet, will lead one force and will be opposed by Vice-Admiral Andrews.

YUNNAN OUTRAGE: TOLL MOUNTING

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Consults Moslem Opinion

NEW DELHI, Feb. 5 (Reuters).—Apart from an official communique issued to-night, nothing more has been revealed about the talk between the Governor-General and Mahatma Gandhi to-day.

Gandhi has already been in touch with Moslem opinion as the result of his conversation with Sir Sikander Hyat Khan, Premier of Punjab.

Another prominent Moslem, Abdul Kasem Fasil Huq, Premier of Bengal, put forward a suggestion on Sunday that Coalition Cabinets be formed in the provinces for the duration of the war. He considered that this would pave the way for unity between Moslems and Hindus.

There has yet been no reaction to this suggestion from Congress circles.

Not Meeting Jinnah

NEW DELHI, Feb. 5 (Reuters).—As the result of Gandhi's early departure, the proposed meeting with Mr. M. A. Jinnah, the Moslem League leader, is not taking place.

The unexpectedly rapid developments to-day caused surprise but it is noted that the communique suggests that consultations are only deferred.

WON'T ANNOY WITH NOTES

EAGER TO AID THE ALLIES

NEW YORK, Feb. 5 (Reuters).—A decision to refrain, as far as is possible, from sending any more sharp notes to Britain over neutrality questions has been reached by the Administration, according to an "Associated Press" Washington dispatch.

The dispatch says that questions arising between the two countries are expected to be threshed out almost entirely through personal conferences between officials at Washington and Lord Lothian, the British Ambassador, or between officials and the American Ambassador in London.

"The series of waspish notes which have been sent to Britain in the past two months have stirred up American public opinion to an alarming extent, according to some officials who could see no advantage in an acrimonious debate between the two countries which they envisaged as a direct encouragement to Hitler."

"Naturally this reported new policy would be contingent upon the occurrence of no further serious British violation of American neutral rights," says the dispatch.

WRECKED ON CORAL ISLAND

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sence by waving their shirts and clothing to the rescue plane.

Captain Matsunami dropped foodstuffs and water and then directed nearby ships to proceed to the island.

The freighter Kelun Maru was the first ship to arrive on the scene, and, despite increasingly rough weather, immediately made efforts to rescue the marooned people by lifeboat.

Ultimately four other vessels, the Shoen Maru, the Nansei Maru, the Natchiya Maru and the Shonan Maru, arrived on the scene, and all five ships joined in combined operations for the hazardous undertaking of sending lifeboats through the boiling surf.

The thirteen people were ultimately taken aboard the Kelun Maru, the operation being completed by 9 a.m.

Oil On Rough Seas

The other vessels poured quantities of oil on the surrounding sea in an effort to make the passage to and from the island less dangerous. The Kelun Maru is now en route to Naha.

The Douglas plane which discovered the missing people remained overboard until the rescues were completed, and then proceeded to Taihoku to report the rescues.

NAZI PILOTS AID REDS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" LONDON, Feb. 6 (UP).—The Stockholm Correspondent of the London "Daily Mail" reports that German pilots are flying 120 Russian planes in operations against the Finns.

The report claims that the Germans are operating from the Arctic base at Murmansk.

German ships are transporting supplies, especially munitions, to the Russians in the Arctic area.

Constable Charged With Larceny

Fazal Karim, 24, P.C. B750, was charged before Mr. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with larceny of \$24.00 from the Hongkong Government, on February 3.

The case was remanded to February 10, when Mr. M. A. da Silva will appear for defendant.

Bail of \$150 was allowed.

Licence Needed For Export Of Tin

LONDON, Feb. 5 (Reuters).—A Board of Trade order adds tin to the metals which, with their alloys in unwrought forms, require licences for export to any destination.

The order came into force on February 4.

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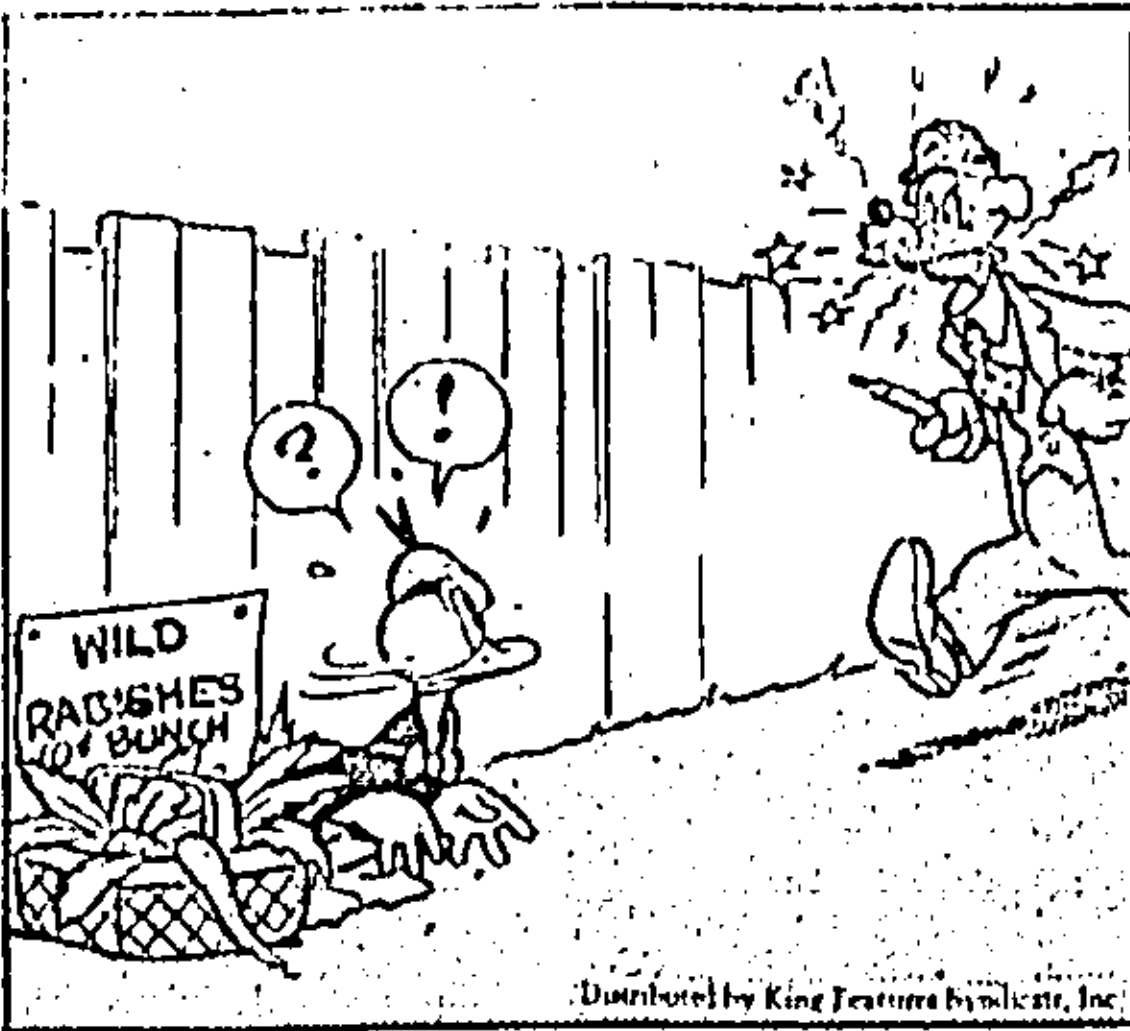
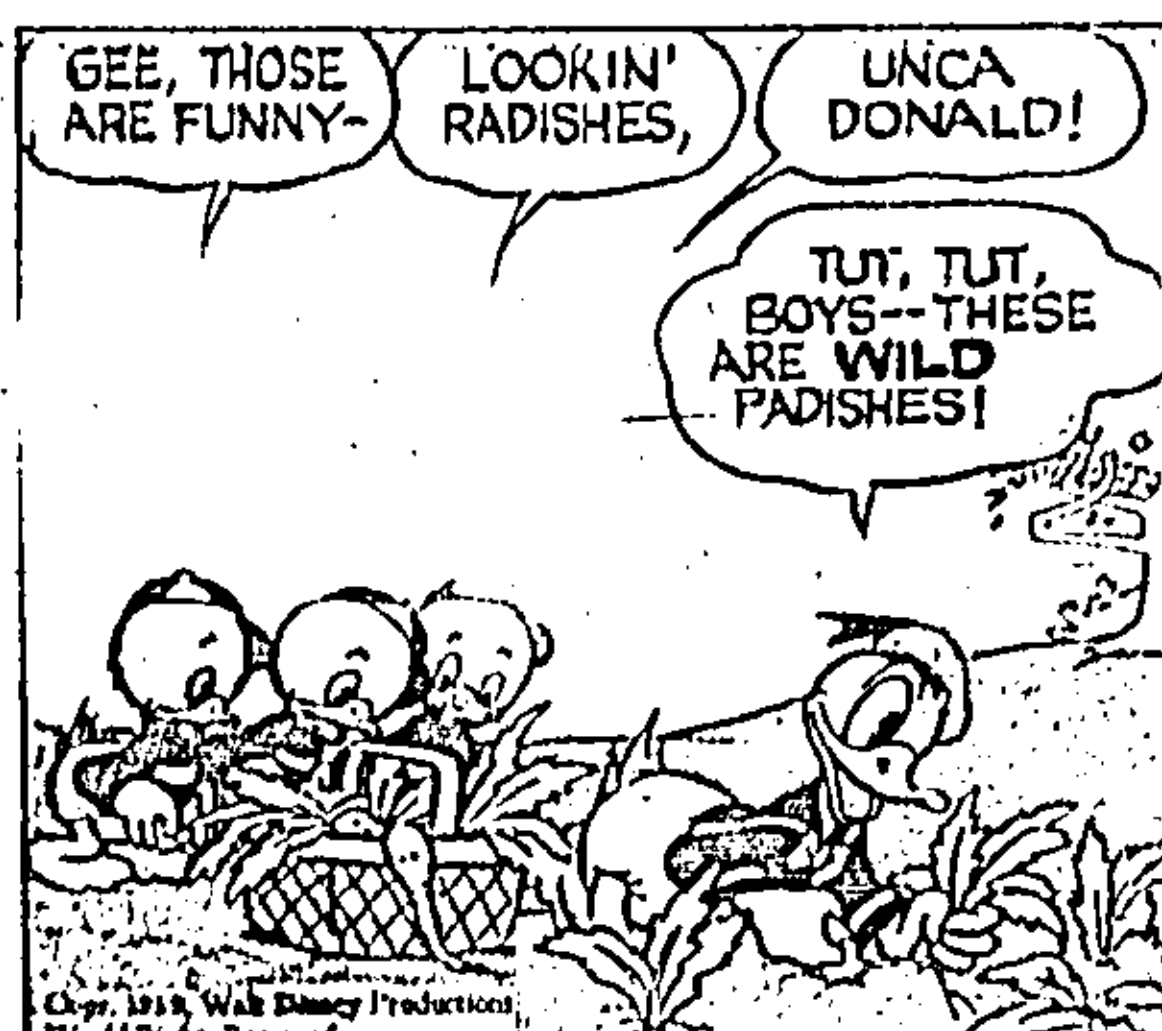
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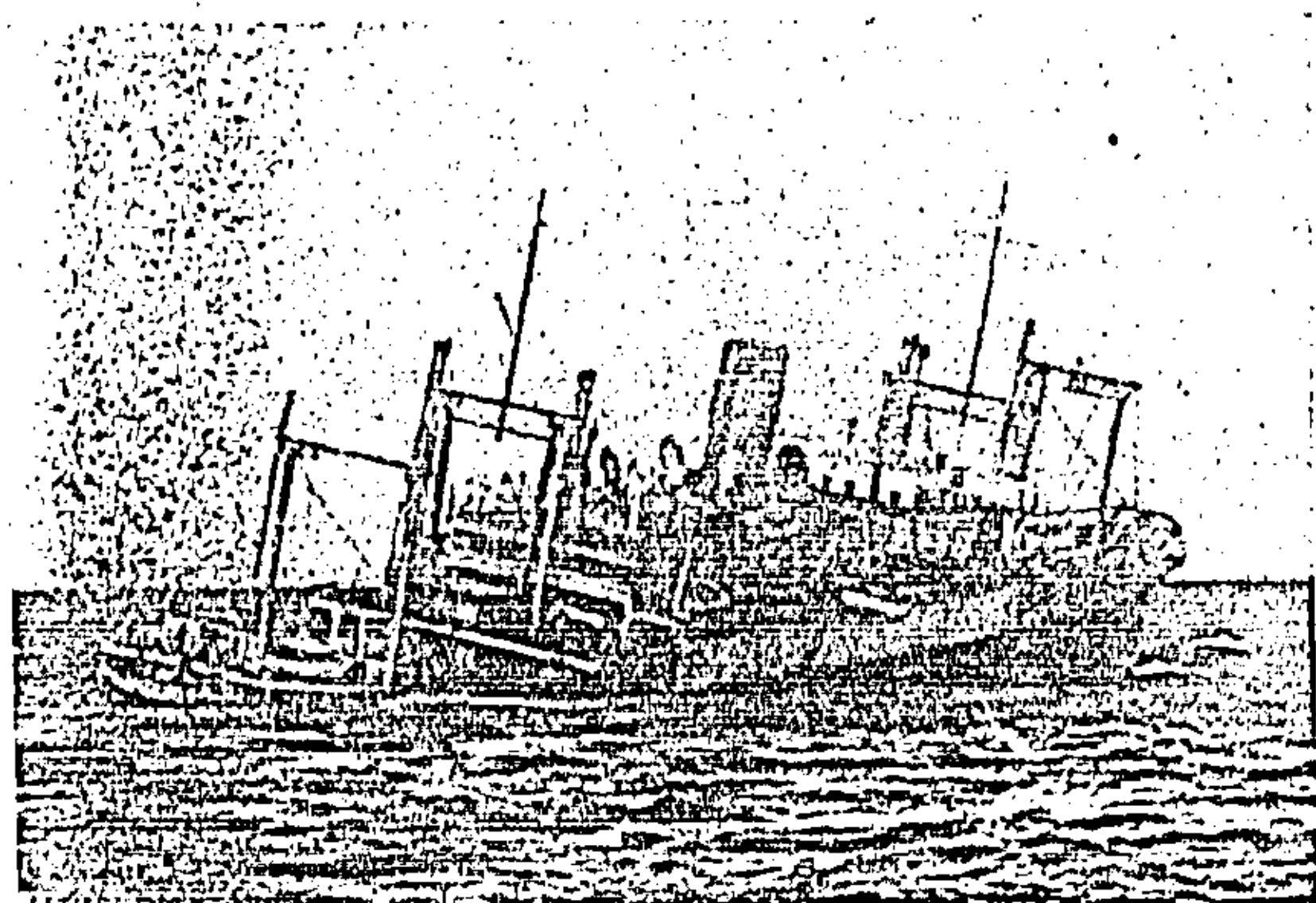
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PRES. QUEZON WRECK DRAMA PHOTOS.



DRAMATIC PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE WRECK OF THE PRESIDENT QUEZON.—A water-logged lifeboat, (above) loaded with survivors, coming alongside a Japanese rescue ship. LEFT.—The President Quezon, stern low down in the water, photographed shortly before she broke up.—Domes Photos.

Magistrate Criticises The Police

CRITICISM of the Police in not closing down more opium and heroin divans instead of arresting hawkers was expressed from the Bench by Mr. T. J. Houston at Central Magistracy this morning.

The criticism followed the conclusion of a case against Lau Wai, 44, unemployed stone mason, charged with receiving a box of detonators, the property of the Hongkong Government, and with possession of 100 detonators without a licence.

During the evidence, the main Police witness, Tsang Shing, said he met defendant in an opium divan in Saiwanho. He admitted that he had kept an opium divan in Shaukiwan last year.

Defendant was eventually discharged by Mr. Houston, who said the evidence depended completely on Tsang.

"Tsang is a bad character, and as I cannot discriminate between two

bad characters, defendant is discharged," he said.

Mr. H. Hall, in charge of the Government quarry, said that a report had been received by him on January 17 that the detonators had been stolen.

Tsang Shing, 55, said he met defendant at a divan in Main Street, Saiwanho, on January 28.

Defendant told him he had some detonators for sale. He later made a report to Detective Lu Muk at the Shaukiwan Police station, and on January 30, returned to the divan where he bought a box of the detonators from Lau for \$14.50.

"Forced To Confess"

Lau denied having sold the detonators to Tsang, and said Tsang had a grudge against him. He then asked the Magistrate not to send him back to Shaukiwan station after the case.

"I have been badly beaten up by the detectives and was forced to make a confession," he alleged. Defendant walked out of the dock, and stripped to the waist to show Mr. Houston the marks of his alleged injuries.

Lau was arrested in a hut on the hillside above Tai Cheung Street on January 1.

Inspector W. A. Russell, who prosecuted, said that no report of any assault had been made to him by Lau, although defendant had had opportunity to do so.

HONGKONG NAVAL OFFICER LOST

53 Missing As Minesweeper Founders

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

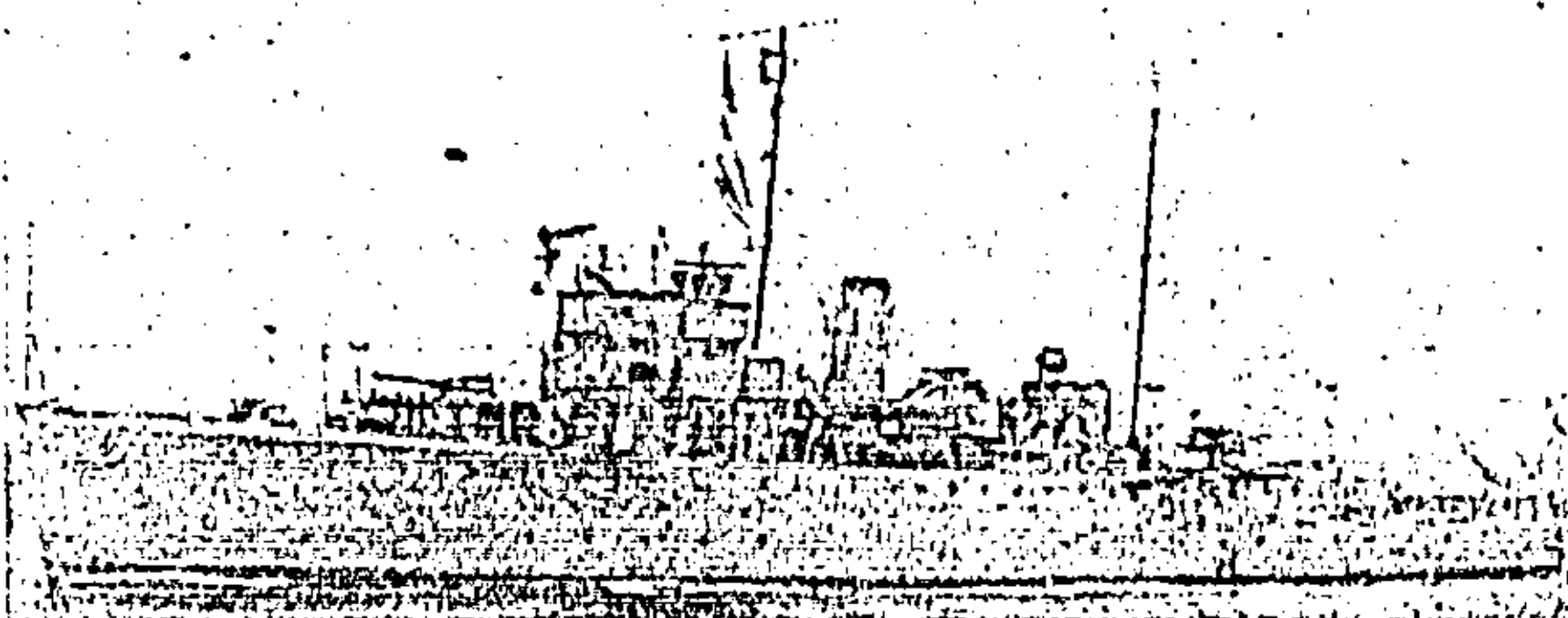
LONDON, Feb. 5 (UP).—Among the five officers and 49 ratings lost aboard the 875-ton mine-sweeper H.M.S. Sphinx, which foundered in heavy weather after being damaged in the big Nazi air raids on shipping on Saturday, was Commander J. R. N. Taylor, formerly of Hongkong.

Commander Taylor and four ratings are officially reported dead.

Four other Officers and 45 ratings are reported missing.

Six Officers and 44 ratings have been landed at an English port.

H.M.S. Sphinx was one of several vessels attacked by the Nazi planes during Saturday's raids.



H.M. MINESWEEPER SPHINX

She was damaged by a German bomb, but not sufficiently to sink her, and arrangements were immediately made to tow her into port.

During the tow, however, the weather became increasingly bad and the ship suddenly capsized. Only 50 of the crew were picked up from the icy water and it is feared that all hope for the rest must be abandoned.

Commander Taylor was in command of H.M.S. Delight on China Station.

Resided in Kowloon

He resided at the Arlington Hotel in Mody Road, Kowloon, with his wife. They left Hongkong for England in April last year.

Commander Taylor, who was promoted on June 30, 1935, was appointed to H.M.S. Delight on April 9, 1937 and brought the destroyer to Hongkong in 1939 shortly after she was re-commissioned.

He was previously in command of H.M. minesweeper Abingdon, with the 2nd Minesweeping Flotilla in the Mediterranean. Earlier, he took a course at the Staff College at Andover.

H.M.S. Sphinx is the 23rd naval vessel lost in the war. She was a comparatively new ship, being commissioned in December, 1936 under the 1937 Estimates. She cost £100,000 to build and was named after a well-known mine-sweeper which served throughout the 1914-18 war. The normal complement was 80 men, and Sphinx was armed with one 4-in. gun and a 4-in. anti-aircraft gun.

Nothing To Report

PARIS, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—A communiqué issued here to-day states that there is nothing to report.

YANGTSE TRADE WAR ENVISAGED

Japanese Ships To Compete Along River
TSINGTAO, Feb. 6 (Reuter).—The necessity of placating British public opinion in connection with the Yangtse and Tsingtao wharves questions was emphasised by Mr. H. Watanabe, of the Ministry of Communications in Tokyo, during his recent tour of inspection here, it was revealed to-day by reliable sources.

He is reported to have stated that reprisals on the part of Britain would be dangerous in view of the present strained relations between Japan and the United States.

Mr. Watanabe, according to the "Shantung Mainichi," said that the Japanese Government caused the Yangtse to be opened to Third Power vessels because it considered that shipping must be resumed on a just basis, otherwise reprisals might follow.

Will Compete

The Japanese Government, however, he added, was resolved to compete with foreign shipping in the most determined manner.

Mr. Watanabe is said to have revealed that Japanese shipping competition under the management of the Toa Kaiun Kaisha will become more intense in China. Two more ships will soon be put on each of the following lines: Tientsin-Shanghai, Tientsin-Canton and Dairen-Canton.

The T.K.K. anticipate a government subsidy of ¥6,000,000 and propose to build 70,000 tons this year and 80,000 tons next year.

When this building programme is completed, Mr. Watanabe thinks that Japanese shipping can monopolise Chinese trade.

Ministers Speeches Approved by Press

LONDON, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—Most of the British Press acclaims the week-end speeches of Mr. Oliver Stanley, the Minister of War, Mr. Anthony Eden, Secretary of the Dominions, and Mr. Clement R. Attlee, the Labour Opposition Leader.

The "Manchester Guardian," for instance, writes that the ease against premature and unconditional peace negotiations could not have been more tersely and effectively put than it was by Mr. Oliver Stanley.

The "Daily Telegraph" warns against the agencies that are at work trying to entice the nation's purpose by suggestions that an easy option to the prosecution of the war is available.

Mr. Oliver Stanley was right in emphasising that in this struggle there can be no issue short of victory or defeat, the paper continues, "We must go on or go down, and with us stands or falls civilisation."

Attlee Shows Way

The "Daily Herald" says that Mr. Attlee's speech has shown the way to disprove the German lies that Britain is fighting an Imperialist war. That way is by renouncing all claims to special rights in colonial territories by declaring Britain's preparedness to bring every one of the colonies under a mandatory system and by pushing forward the self-government system whenever practicable.

"Our deeds will then speak louder than Dr. Goebbels' words, and our sincerity will bring ever-increasing sympathy from neutral nations," the paper concludes.

NO HURRY TO ENACT EMBARGO

America To Study Matter Closely

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 (UP).—Demands for restrictive measures against Japan by House and Senate members are increasing, but the leaders indicate there is no hurry to enact an embargo.

Senator Sherman Minton stated that there was no motion to change the plan to study the matter closely from all possible angles. Commodity interests such as cotton have not been determined in the present demand for hasty action, although some southerners favour partial restriction of war material shipments.

"We cannot continue to disregard the fact that China and Japan are at war," said Senator Allen Ellender. "As much as I sympathise with the Chinese people, as neutrals we cannot discriminate between belligerents."

Representative Fred Crawford said he would speak on the floor of the House on behalf of cotton interests.

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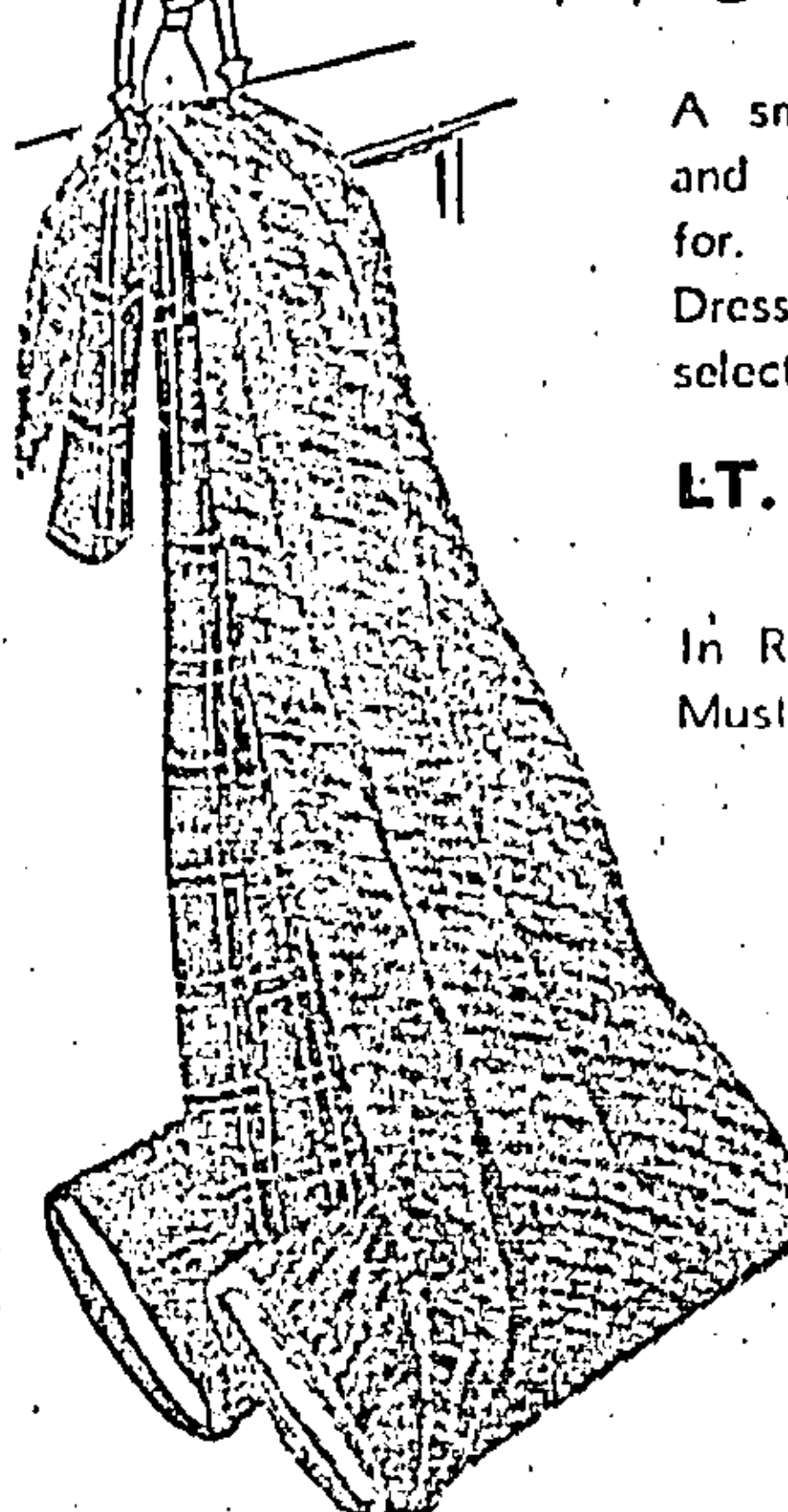
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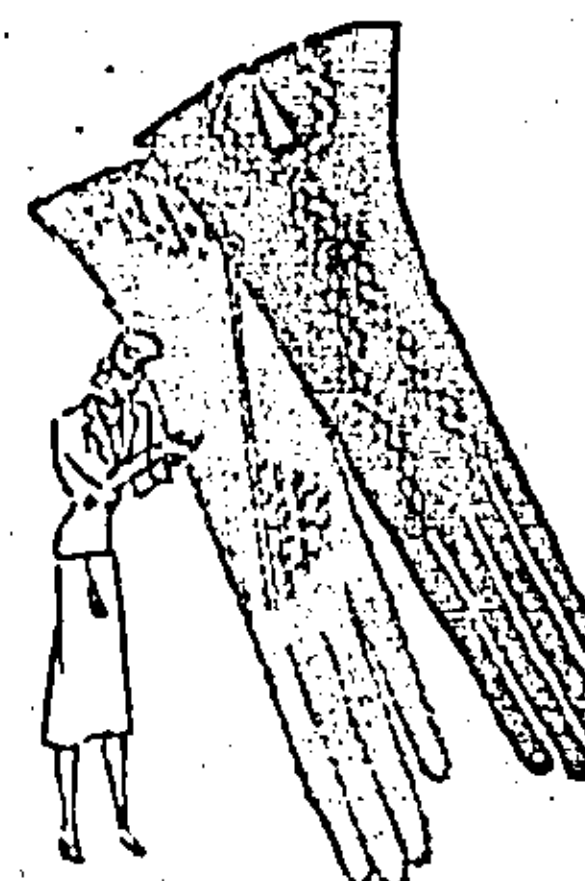
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More Food Taken Into Tientsin

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
TIENTSIN, Feb. 6 (UP).—Three motor trucks loaded with food entered the British Concession this morning.

The Japanese made no attempt to interfere.

O.S.K. START A NEW SERVICE

TOKYO, Feb. 6 (Domes).—The O.S.K. liner, Montevideo Maru, called from Yokohama on Monday as the first ship to run on the newly-opened eastward South American Line via Panama. The new service provides for six voyages a year.

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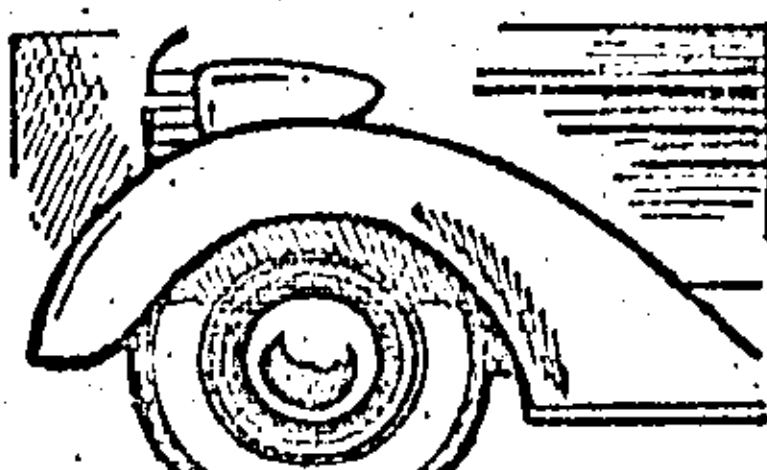
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DEATH

VICTAL—Maria Lobo (Mia) beloved wife of Augusto Vical, died at Kowloon Hospital, at 12.30 a.m. Funeral will pass the Monument at 5.30 p.m. to-day. (Macau and Shanghai papers please copy). No wreaths by request.

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Finland's Struggle

It is almost ten weeks since Russia opened fire on the freedom of Finland. The situation upon which the Soviet dictator looks forth from the Kremlin is far different from his intentions. Finland's armies have flung back the Russian hosts, while her towns and her women and children steadfastly endure the horrors of bombing. Battered in every sector of the fighting front, the Soviet seek vengeance by air attack on towns and villages. One of them, Viborg, the second city of Finland, is also under bombardment. This particular atrocity may have given special pleasure in Moscow, for Viborg was founded 600 years ago to guard the marches of civilisation. The Russian air force has paid heavily for its raids, the Russian army cannot maintain the offensive, and over 200 miles of front is reeling back. Attacks on the Mannerheim Line across the Isthmus, the short straight way into Finland, have become cumulatively unsuccessful.

Reports of the fighting show that in everything but numbers—strategy, tactics, efficiency of weapons and individual fighting power—the Finns were far superior to the invaders. The story of the march of waves of Russian infantry across the ice of frozen lakes, mowed down on that clear field of fire by Finnish artillery till the ice broke under the barrage, recalls the evening of Austerlitz. But the lakes of Finland are bigger and deadlier than the lake on which Napoleon's guns caught the Russian masses. So far Moscow has conspired most successfully to keep the extent of these reverses from its own people. The very existence of a war has barely been acknowledged in the curiously reticent communiques. But there is evidence that the veil of secrecy is at last being pierced and that an uneasy realisation is growing that there have been some miscalculations about the easy triumphs that had been expected. Casualties on such a scale cannot be concealed for an indefinite time. Unofficially the failure to win a lightning victory may be attributed to the strength of the Mannerheim Line and the natural advantages of Finland. These things, apparently, dictatorship could not more foresee than the cold of winter. The Finns admit heavy losses of their own, and they outnumbered a nation 40 to one, must husband their man-power. All history shows that Russian military effort on the offensive is far inferior to its defensive power. The invasion of Finland was plainly handicapped by incompetent direction and training, defective armament and lack of supplies. Communications in Russia are still inadequate to the needs of a large army fighting on or beyond the frontier.



ADOLF: "Of course, it's only a loan, old boy!"

To help Finland we must

BEAT HITLER
FIRST

By Francis Williams

RUSSIA has refused the appeal of the League of Nations, of which she once professed herself the most ardent of members.

Her aggression in Finland continues. And at a formidably increased pace. With at least a million and half of men and more than a thousand war-planes, Stalin now sets himself to crush without mercy the pigmy nation which has dared to fight for its own soul.

What can we do to help Finland?

That question is being asked all over Britain. Millions of men and women who recognise in Russia's attack an act as brutal as any in history, ask it with a bewildered feeling of frustration. We went to war with Germany to stop aggression. They endorsed that decision. But where they now ask themselves, will be the end of civilisation's fight against barbarism?

Why, I have been asked, do we give only our blessing to Finland, when for Poland, a country less democratic and less advanced, we fight with all our forces?

Why do we not even give to Finland the aid of economic sanctions we gave to Abyssinia?

There is, of course, a practical answer to these questions. We are engaged in a life and death struggle with a powerful and unrelenting foe. We cannot afford to dissipate our forces.

The strength of the League has

been so weakened that it no longer has sufficient power to take effective action against a mighty lawbreaker. It can do little more than condemn the crime.

Nor can France and Britain alone take upon themselves the active defence in every part of the world of those moral standards which are the joint heritage of all the nations of Western civilisation, including the great United States.

Three wars are being waged at the same time in the world to-day. Each is the result of brutal aggression by a strong Power against a weak. We cannot intervene successfully in each.

To undertake a task beyond our achievement would not be to defend Western civilisation. It would be to risk its final defeat.

That danger we should incur if we set ourselves a limitless objective. The essential first objective is the defeat of Nazism.

It is the most necessary because Nazism, by its whole record, is proved the most persistent of aggressors. Deceit, aggression and domination are not incidental to Nazism. They are an integral part

of its philosophy. Moreover the declared scope of Nazi ambitions offers the most direct threat to Western Europe. And if the demagogues of Western Europe and the British Commonwealth fall then indeed will the lamps of European civilisation splutter into darkness, leaving America the solitary and perhaps transient inheritor of that great tradition.

Amidst the darkening storm of barbarism which confronts us, one thing surely is clearer than ever before.

It is that the democratic system is the one essential foundation of civilised living nationally and internationally.

I do not doubt that there are groups within Britain and within France with imperialist ambitions hardly less ruthless than those of Hitler and Stalin and with consciences no less blunted.

But they are kept in control by the force of democratic public opinion which ceases to have authority under a dictatorship.

Democracy imposes upon the ruler, the standards of toleration and fair dealing which rule in the ordinary affairs of decent men and women.

Dictatorships, corrupted by absolute power, set themselves above all common standards. We are fighting to re-establish the authority of these standards.

To that authority the greatest immediate danger is Nazism.

I do not minimise the danger of Stalinism. I do not deceive myself, as some still do, that Stalin's Communism holds within itself anything truly socialist. I think Communism in any true socialist sense came to an end when Stalin secured complete control and murdered all those who had been the pioneers of the new order.

Stalin will go his own course undeterred by socialist philosophy. But he will not, I think, remain unaffected by the success of the Western democracies in their war against Hitlerism.

His aggression has been carried on under the shadow of Nazi aggression. If that shadow retreats, we may see another change of policy in Russia.

Our paramount task remains then that of victory in the war against Nazism. But what then? By that time, unless by some miracle the story of David and Goliath is repeated, independent Finland may have ceased to exist.

How then can the free nations repay their debt to a gallant and democratic people?

There is one way in which they can try. It is this.

When the war is won there will be a peace conference. If that conference is to be of any value it must be something more than a meeting of victors and defeated. It must be a genuine effort to build a new world order.

At that conference we should do two things. We should set up machinery for international co-operation which, unlike the League of Nations, shall be economic as well as political.

We must make membership of the new League or Federation, whichever it is, economically advantageous. We must make peaceful co-operation pay. And we must make it a serious economic disadvantage to any nation to remain outside, to resign, or to adopt such a policy as to force expulsion.

That is the only way to bind the nations together in an organisation of international law which will not collapse under the first serious strain.

We should invite Russia to join on condition that she abandons aggression. And on condition that she allows the people of Russian Poland and of Finland a free vote to decide for themselves on their independence.

I think such an offer, with the advantages acceptance would give, would be hard for even Stalin to refuse.

We cannot help Finland now as much as we would like. But we must pledge ourselves to remember her when the new Europe is being shaped.

The first nine weeks of the Finnish campaign have been a monument of bad staff work.

THE FINNISH WAR IS 9 WEEKS OLD IT IS—

A Monument of Bad
Russian Staff Work

WHEN Germany attacked Poland she did so with a superiority of about two to one in man power, and certainly rather more in machine power.

When Russia attacked Finland she did so with a superiority of about forty to one in man power.

Having herself a plentiful supply of tanks, heavy artillery and aircraft, she pitted herself against a small Power deficient in all these respects, and the Finns were far from strong in anti-tank guns.

In fact, attacked an opponent far more formidable than Finland. She encountered some reverses, but after three weeks—and before the Russian stab in the back virtually paralysed Polish resistance—Poland was a defeated nation.

What progress has Russia achieved in the same period?

She has, at great cost, made a successful attack in the far north. She has made a dangerous thrust across central Finland to the Gulf of Bothnia. Against the strong Finnish defences in the south of Finland she has made practically no progress at all.

What is the explanation of Germany's quick results, Russia's slow ones?

In the first place the Finns have no disloyal minorities to furnish spies—though for diplomatic reasons the

Russians would not like this explanation.

The Russians would blame the ground over which they have to operate. Poland had one of the hardest frontiers to defend; Finland has one of the hardest to attack.

The lakes and forests of the south and centre, the rocks, bolls, and bitter cold of the far north, set an attacker an exceedingly difficult problem.

But the Russian General Staff had every opportunity of finding out beforehand, and they should have framed their plans accordingly.

This they failed to do. Whether it was their own miscalculation or Stalin's, they made their plans on the footing, not that they were to face a campaign, but that they were merely to enjoy a walk-over.

They attempted to terrorise the Government and people by aerial bombing. They inflicted a good deal of damage, but were surprised to find their bombers assailed by furious anti-aircraft fire.

The Russian Fleet took a hand by undertaking what is notoriously one of the most unprofitable of operations of war in bombarding from the sea a port where land batteries were stationed.

They treated Hangö as if it were a harmless fishing village, and were surprised to find that they had one of their ships sunk and several damaged.

Their operations on land were no less casual. They employed second-line troops. Knowing that the weather, even in the south, was normally cold enough to freeze the lakes in November, they neglected to provide the men with underwear.

Knowing that to obtain resistance to cold a substantial diet containing a high proportion of fats is essential, they sent their men into action under-nourished to the point of semi-starvation.

They had a colossal superiority in numbers, a considerable superiority in military material. They made little use of the one, poor use of the other.

At the outset only 300,000 of their millions of men were deployed on the Finnish frontier. Now the figure has been brought up to 500,000. It still remains far short of that decisive superiority of at least three to one which is generally essential for an attack.

The Russians, too, have often shown little skill in their choice of weapons. Although the Finns are weak in anti-tank weapons, the Russians have suffered severe losses in tanks. That is largely because they employed heavy tanks in soft snow, these naturally got stuck and presented easy targets.

Where, as in the far north, light tanks have been used, much better results have been obtained.

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No New Taxation For Tino Being

ZURICH, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—A Berlin telegram to the "Neue Deutsche Zeitung" says that all new taxation and war economy plans, which were ventilated in Germany last month, have been shelved for the time being.

It is considered psychologically unwise to place fresh burdens on the public while they are suffering from the present shortage of coal, potatoes, vegetables and fruit.

The dispatch adds that the difficult problem of financing the war thus remains unsolved, with the result that signs of inflation are becoming more and more evident.

Despite control, prices and wages are going up, and the shortage of goods has given rise to a flourishing "black market" in which objects change hands at prices far above normal.

Chinese Intensely Dislike War

No Ambition To Conquer World

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". NEW YORK, Feb. 5 (UP).—"You can gauge the future only from what you know about the past. The Chinese are a quiet and peaceful people who dislike war intensely."

This comment formed part of an editorial in the "New York Daily News" this morning, when the newspaper commented on a letter from a reader who expressed fears that China would engage in a campaign of world conquest if she defeated Japan.

"Japan's history is that of a warlike aggressive nation," the editorial continued.

"Their conquest began with the first Sino-Japanese War of 1894.

Used As Stepping Stone. "Each new piece of grabbed territory has been used by the Japanese as a stepping-stone for another grab."

"The Chinese, on the other hand, have never been that."

"They are a quiet and peaceful people who dislike war intensely. Most of them want, chiefly to be left alone."

"The Chinese can fight when they are attacked, as they have been demonstrating in the last two and a half years. But they have never had any ambition to conquer the world."

Ration Card Illegalities

KAUNAS, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—A Kaunas dispatch says that 32 Germans, including eight municipal officials, were tried before a special court at Kaunas on charges involving the illegal granting and receiving of ration cards.

One official was sentenced to death and 27 others were sentenced to terms of hard labour varying from two months to fifteen years. The remaining four were acquitted.

MINISTRY BUYS SIX SHIPS

The Ministry of Shipping has arranged for its first purchase of American cargo ships by buying six. The sale is subject to the approval of the United States Maritime Commission.

The ships involved are the Delawaren (5,705 tons), Louisianan (15,484 tons), Tennessee (6,379 tons) and Indianan (5,582 tons) all owned by the American-Hawaiian S. S. Co. and the Oakwood (6,071 tons) and Waban (6,039 tons) both owned by the Lykes Bros. Shipping Company. The six ships are suitable for carrying any kind of cargo.

Madame Chiang's Pledge

CHUNGKING, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—Madame Chiang Kai-shek, in a stirring speech to-day at a meeting organized by the Friends of the Wounded Society, pledged personally to raise \$100,000 for the society. She is Honorary Chairman of the movement, while Dr. H. H. Kung, Minister of Finance, is Chairman.

The movement, which will be formally inaugurated on February 10, is expected to enlist at least 100,000 members. The aim of the movement is to obtain one "friend" for every wounded Chinese soldier.



TO BECOME AMERICAN CITIZEN

Man Who Married Duke Of Windsor

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—Exiled because he married the Duke and Duchess of Windsor, the Rev. J. E. Jardine completed plans to-day for becoming an American citizen.

As soon as his birth certificate and other papers arrive from England, he said, he wants to apply for his first papers.

He indicated that this should be within two months.

He will make his home in Hollywood.

POLES IN REVOLT

New Nazi Repressive Steps Foreshadowed

ZURICH, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—Disturbances in the southern part of German occupied Poland were reported by the Berlin correspondent of the "Basler Nachrichten" to-day.

This correspondent adds that similar disturbances, which occurred among Polish refugees in Vilna territory, were ascribed in Germany to "secret Allied influence."

The newspaper "Voelkischer Beobachter" and other German newspapers give prominence to incidents in Vilna with the object, it is believed in Berlin, of justifying a new series of repressive measures in Poland.

The severity of these measures is defended on the ground that Germany requires to ensure her security in the rear while she is at war with the Allies in the west.

Espionage Scare In Switzerland

BERNE, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—A woman of foreign nationality living at a hotel at Lausanne was arrested in connection with a Swiss espionage case, according to the Lausanne "Gazette".

Another woman, believed to be a German, living in Basle, and a man were arrested at a hotel in Olten yesterday on suspicion of spying.

Traffic Offences

G. P. Charlton, of Jardine Matheson and Company, was fined \$2 by Mr. Sheldon at Central Magistrate's court this morning when summoned for parking his car over time in Pedder Street on January 3.

Admitting a summons for driving in a closed road, Ice House Street, on January 5, E. W. Perry, Naval Yard Police, was also fined \$2.

LONDON, Feb. 6

(Reuter).—It is understood that the 10,000-ton Canadian Pacific liner Beaverburn has been sunk in the Atlantic by a German U-Boat.

The Beaverburn, which was launched at Dumbarton in 1927, was one of five "Beaver" class freighters operated by the Canadian Pacific Line on their trans-Atlantic service.

She operated between Quebec and Montreal and London.

Most of her cargo space was devoted to refrigerated commerce.

She carried a crew of 80. There is no accommodation for passengers in this type of C.P. ship—the only vessels of the company's fleet which do not carry passengers.

Like her sister ships, the Beaverburn was strengthened to plough through ice-fields.

TURKEY TO MEDIATE

Attempt To Bring Bulgaria Into Line

PARIS, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—When M. Sarajoglu, the Turkish Foreign Minister, passes through Sofia en route to Ankara from Belgrade, he will have an interview with the Bulgarian Prime Minister.

The main object of this interview, according to a message from Istanbul, is his hope of carrying a step further Turkey's policy of mediation between Bulgaria and the other Balkan states.

London Satisfied.

LONDON, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—With regard to the Balkan Entente talks, "Reuter" learns that no full information has yet reached London, but the stories which have appeared in the Press seem to afford every reason for satisfaction at the result of the conference.

The friendly references by the Yugo-Slavian and Rumanian Ministers to their neighboring states also gives cause for satisfaction in London.

The outcome of the talks may be regarded as making for security of conditions in South-East Europe.

Japan's Interest.

ISTANBUL, Feb. 6 (UP).—It is learned from unimpeachable sources that the recent conference of Japanese diplomats at Budapest was held for the express purpose of examining the possibilities of Russian aggression against the Balkan States.

The Japanese delegates are believed to have thoroughly thrashed out the question of organized Balkan resistance in the event of such aggression.

It was decided at the conference that anxiety regarding a possible Russian menace has considerably subsided.

The same source states that Japan has no intention of giving any aid whatsoever to the Balkans if they are attacked by Russia.

Nor has Japan any desire to mix with Balkan politics.

Alternative To Petrol Is Produced

LONDON, Feb. 5 (British Wire- less).—The feasibility of using producer gas as an alternative to petrol as fuel for commercial vehicles is announced in a report published to-day.

In May, 1937, a committee was set up under the chairmanship of Sir Harold Hartley to consider alternative fuels which might be available in national emergency, and the steps by which they have arrived at their conclusions and the experiments undertaken to supply producer equipment are revealed.

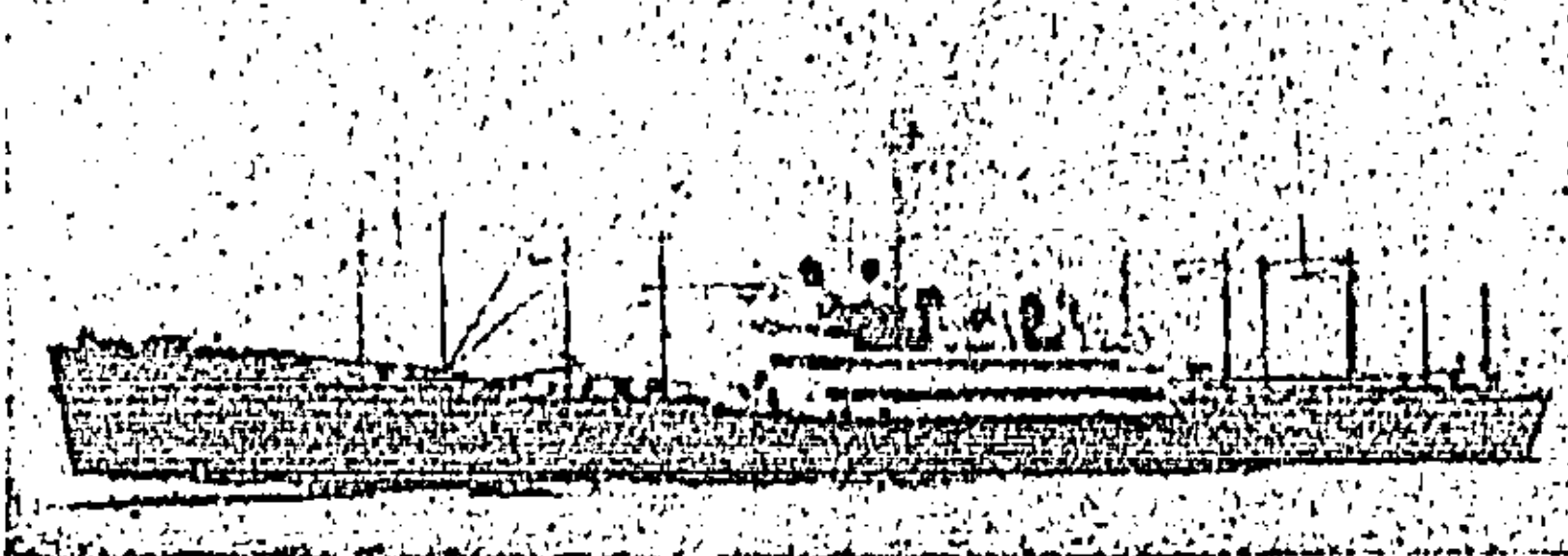
The Committee states that satisfactory results can be obtained by the use of equipment designed by them, and fuel to produce gas in, in their opinion, readily available for several thousand vehicles and it is anticipated that this will be increased to provide for 10,000 in the near future.

Both anthracite and low temperature coke can be used and it is expected that supplies of both can be increased.

German Party Repelled

PARIS, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—A German reconnoitring patrol, not the worst of it when it advanced towards the French lines east of Blied and came into contact with French advance posts.

There was a brief engagement in which bombs and machine-guns were used before the Germans hurriedly retreated, leaving two prisoners.



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WORKERS PROMISE TO HELP

Government Starts Production Drive

LONDON, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—The determination of British workers to help the Government in its new huge drive for arms production was expressed to-day by the Amalgamated Engineering Union.

Representatives of the Union visited the Minister of Labour, who explained to them details of the new effort.

Mr. Fred Smith, Secretary of the Union, said: "It is one of the most ambitious programmes I have ever seen."

The Government, he said, had asked the union to help them to get the labour which would be needed and "we have given an undertaking to do everything possible to assist."

Much Labour Required.

The Minister of Labour, Mr. Smith revealed, had placed before them a document which he wished them to examine and a further meeting would be held in from 10 to 14 days' time. The Government was concentrating on its arms drive and a vast labour force would be required. The Government very much appreciated what the Trade Unions had already done, Mr. Smith concluded.

ADMIRALTY NOT RISING TO BAIT

LONDON, Feb. 5 (British Wire- less).—Silence of the Admiralty regarding the success claimed by Germany in Saturday's "tip and run" raids on British shipping causes no surprise in informed London circles, where it is recognised that the German claims include the usual exaggerations made in hopes that specific contradictions will reveal much desired information.

It is pointed out that unlike submarines, aeroplanes have no opportunity of staying in the vicinity and verifying the damage inflicted, and at best pilots' reports can only give the impressions obtained in a very short space of time.

This disability is probably accentuated in the case of German bombers whose crews wisely show no inclination to await the arrival of British fighters.

The return to port of some and news of the continuation of the voyage of others of the ships attacked mean while offer convincing evidence of the gross exaggeration of German claims.

A DENIAL AND A CHARGE

MANCHESTER, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—Sir Oswald Mosley, the Fuehrer of the British Union of Fascists, in a speech to-day denied allegations made that his sister-in-law, Miss Mifford, had been adding the enemy.

He also charged that a man believed to be a Mosley adherent, who interrupted a recent speech by Mr. Winston Churchill in Manchester, was taken back-stage and there mercilessly beaten.

The Conservative Party spokesman denied this.

BIG TEN CONFER

Allied War Council Meets In Paris

PARIS, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—The fifth meeting of the Supreme War Council was held here to-day.

The British delegation comprised Mr. Neville Chamberlain (Prime Minister), Lord Halifax (Foreign Secretary), Mr. Winston Churchill (First Lord of the Admiralty), Sir Kingsley Wood (Air Minister) and Mr. Oliver Stanley (War Secretary).

They were accompanied by Sir Ronald Campbell (British Ambassador to Paris), Sir Alexander Cadogan (Permanent Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs), Admiral of the Fleet Sir Dudley Pound and General Sir Edmund Ironside (Chief of Imperial General Staff).

Meetings were held in the morning and afternoon.

A communiqué states that various questions were given particular consideration with the object of ensuring still greater efficacy in real Franco-British collaboration.

Questions of supply were given special attention.

Complete agreement was reached on all points examined.

France was represented by M. Edouard Daladier (French Premier), M. Camille (Minister to the Navy), M. Guy la Chambre (Air Minister), and M. Deribes, accompanied by M. Alexis Leger, General Gamelin (Allied Commander-in-Chief), Admiral Francois Darlan (Commander of French Navy), General Vuillemin (French Air Chief) and General Decamp.

Text Of Communiqué.

PARIS, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—The full text of the Supreme War Council communiqué, after recounting the names of the participants, states that that British delegates were welcomed by M. Daladier, who said that he regretted that owing to his recent accident, it was impossible for him to travel to England for a meeting of the Council there.

Mr. Chamberlain expressed the sympathy of the British representatives with M. Daladier and their pleasure that he was making so good a recovery.

The Council examined, under every aspect, the various factors in the present situation as they affect the general conduct of the war.

Various questions were given particular consideration in the spirit of close co-operation which inspires the actions of the two governments with the object of ensuring still greater efficacy in the realm of Franco-British collaboration.

The question of supplies was given special attention.

Sub-Stratosphere Mail Flights

NEW YORK, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—Plans for the inauguration of sub-stratosphere mail flights from about the beginning of May were discussed yesterday by 150 P.W.A. traffic and operations men.

It is expected that one flight each way daily will be maintained at the beginning.

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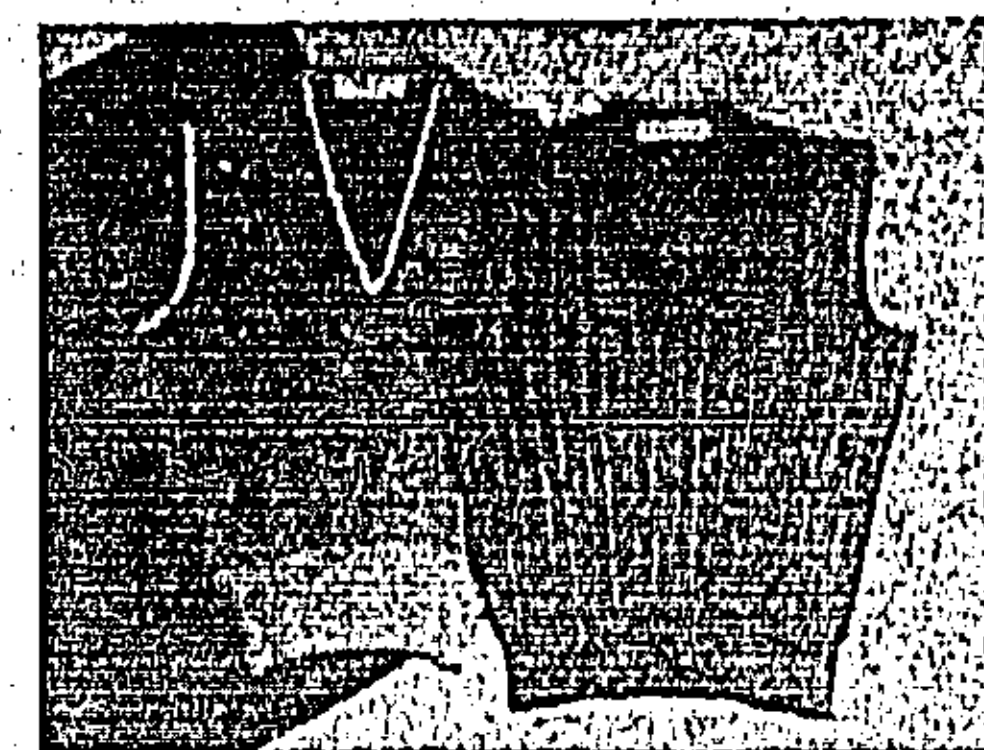
The west coast terminals will be San Francisco and Los Angeles.

CHUNGKING, Feb. 5 (UP).—The government has appropriated \$540,000 to cover the entrenchment of the Kotoner child, Lamu Teng-chu as the Dalmi Lama.

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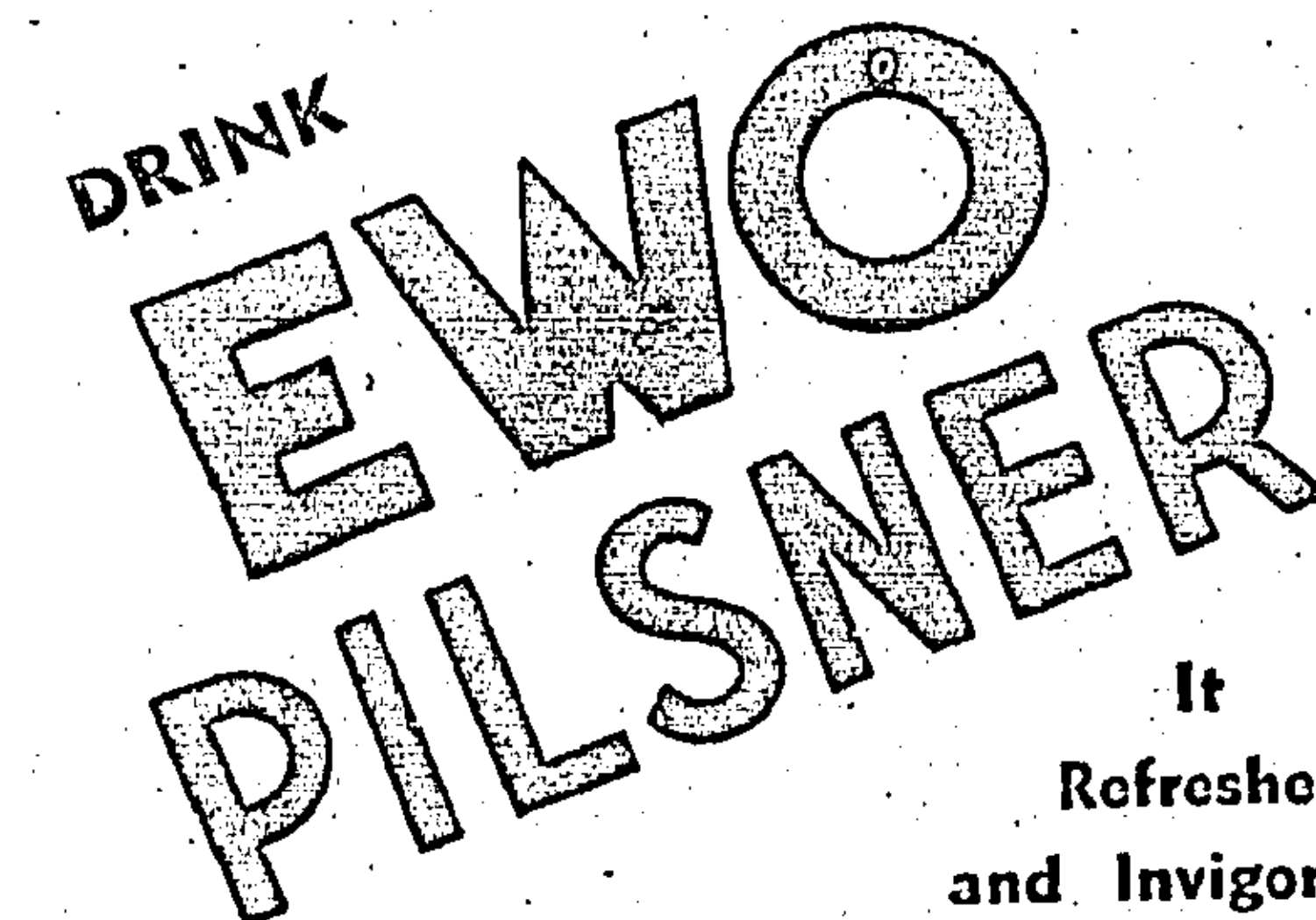
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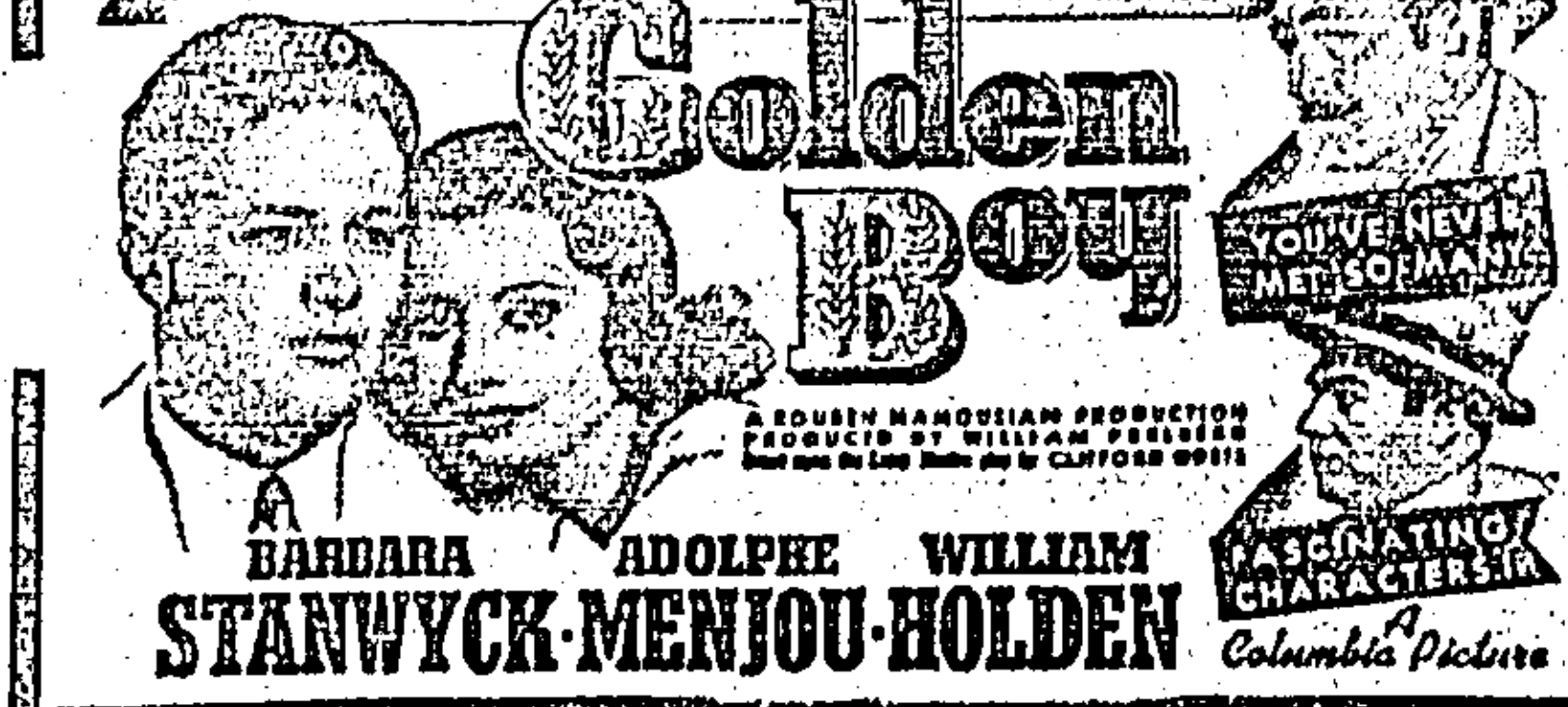
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18th Division Completely Wiped Out

REDS OVERWHELMED BY FRESH DISASTER

THE NEW RUSSIAN ATTEMPT TO SMASH THE FINNISH DEFENCES ALONG THE MANNERHEIM LINE, WHICH RUNS ACROSS THE KARELIAN Isthmus FROM THE GULF OF FINLAND TO LAKE LADOGA, AND AGAINST WHICH THE REDS HAVE HURLED ALL THEIR MIGHT IN TEN WEEKS OF ABORTIVE EFFORT, HAS FAILED.

The big offensive, which was launched last week, is fading away.

Now disaster has overwhelmed the Russian forces which were attempting to flank the famous Finnish "Manner Line" by driving behind it north of Lake Ladoga.

According to reports reaching Helsingfors (quoted by "Reuter"), the entire 18th Division of the Red Army has been virtually wiped out.

A division numbers approximately 15,000 men.

The Russians have been completely dispersed, leaving between 1,500 and 1,600 casualties—either killed, captured or died of cold and hunger.

The 18th Red Division has been marooned for a week at Kitelee, a city north-east of Lake Ladoga which the Russians captured early in the war, and where they were recently cut off when the Finns broke their lines of communications.

If the report of the defeat of this Russian spearhead is confirmed, the Finnish victory marks the culmination of the failure of the Russian attempt to outflank the Mannerheim Line, says "Reuter."

An official Finnish communiqué states that an additional 500 Russians were killed in a battle north of Lake Ladoga.

Russia is also meeting with disastrous reverses in the air, according to another "Reuter" message.

Confirmation has reached London of reports of the astonishing success of the Finnish Air Force since the addition of new speedy British and Italian pursuit planes has permitted them to meet the Russians on more equal terms. It is estimated that the Russians have lost at least 240 planes against only 15 Finnish planes brought down. This fantastic ratio is striking evidence that the much vaunted Red Air Force has something lacking, and recalls the Japanese claims in the combats last year on the Manchukuo border—claims which were then thought to be ridiculous. Most of the Russian losses in Finland are attributed to Finnish superiority in aerial combats.

Attacks Hurdled Back

Helsingfors, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—Every Soviet attack designed to relieve the 18th Division was hurled back, and heavy Finnish artillery on the island fortress of Mantsinauri continuously peppered the only road from Kitelee.

The beleaguered troops were in a ghastly plight. Supplies were cut off and they were compelled to eat horses.

Once, a Russian plane tried to drop bread, but it fell behind the Finnish lines.

Much credit for the victory goes to the Finnish ski patrols who worked swiftly around and through the dense snow-filled forests north of the Russians, and when the order was given, all began to close in.

Realised Too Late

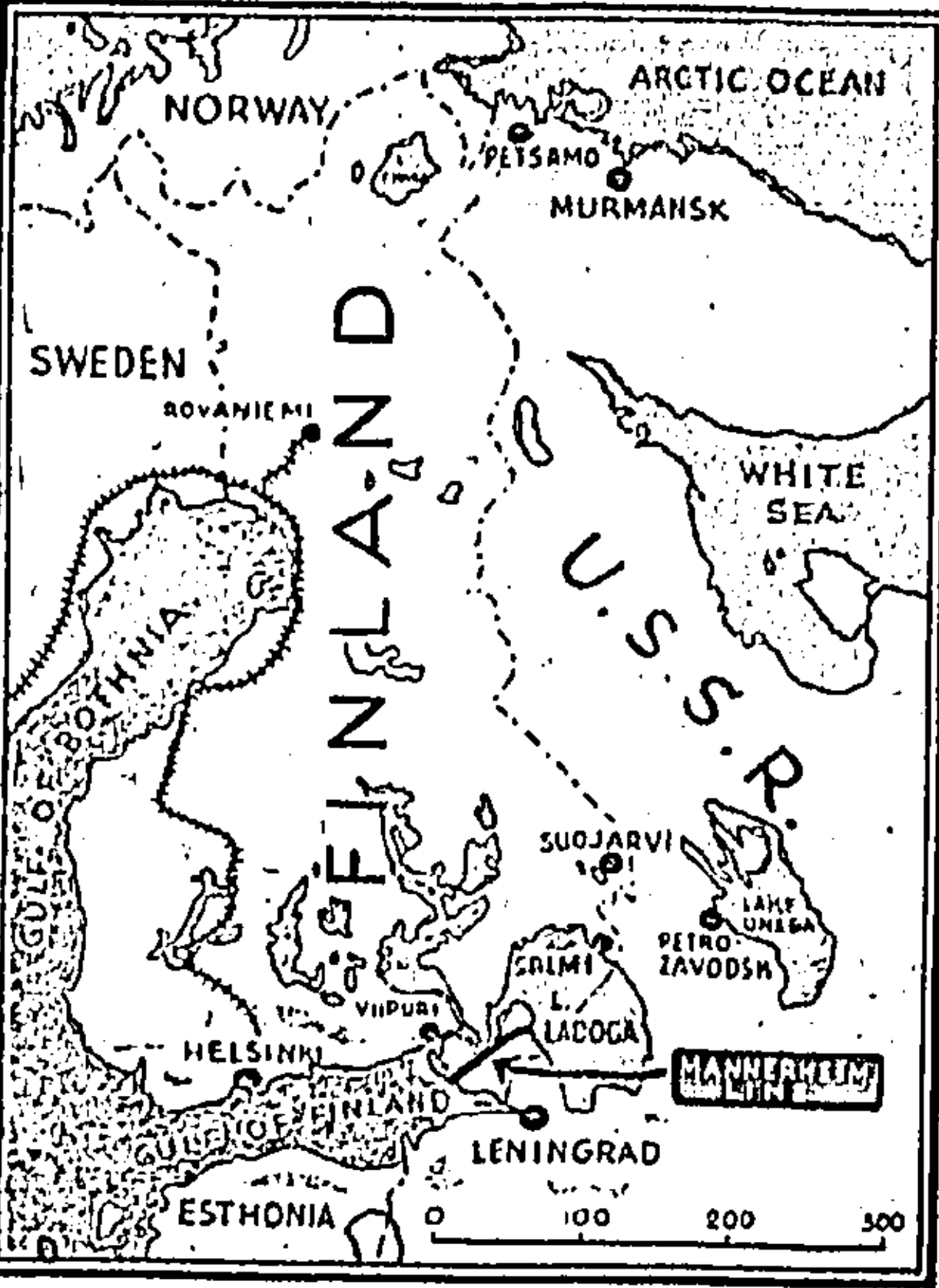
Soviet officers too late realised their position and made an effort to break through along the shores of the Lake, but this move was foreseen and the batteries of Mantsinauri dropped a curtain of shells, while larger bodies of Finnish troops, armed mainly with machine-guns, steadily closed in from the surrounding woods.

The marooned division appealed for assistance for help. Other Soviet units tried to respond. They made great efforts to silence the Mantsinauri guns, but neither bombing nor sallies across the ice made an impression on the Finnish artillerymen.

Reinforcement from the Russian frontier was impossible because the relieving force could never have penetrated the dense, trackless forest with a chance of arriving safely or quickly enough.

The Finnish commander waited for a critical moment, and then sent the patrols for a final onslaught against the broken and demoralised Russians.

Dooty is not expected to be as extensive as after the victory of Suo-



IMPORTANCE OF SAUSAGES



A MAN was exempted from military service by the London Consular Officers' Tribunal on condition he continued in his job as a sausage maker.

His work, said the chairman, Judge Hargreaves, is important at the present time.

"Probably we should win the war if there were more sausages," said Sir James Baillie, a member of the Tribunal.

mussalmi but would certainly be considerable.

Finnish Communiqué

SPECIAL TO THE "Herald"

HELSINGFORS, Feb. 5 (UP).—

To-day's official communiqué states that the Finns yesterday repulsed six Russian attacks between the Isthmus and Salla fronts to the northeast of Lake Ladoga.

The communiqué states that 500 Russians were killed and that the Finns captured seven tanks, four guns, a large quantity of other arms and 30 automobiles.

The Russians were also repulsed on the Karelian Isthmus and the islands of Alitojoki, Kuhmo and Maerke-jarvi on Lake Ladoga.

The Finns further claim that nine Russian planes were shot down during the day.

Red Communiqué

MOSCOW, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—A

Red Army communiqué regarding Sunday's operations on Finland states that there were patrol activities and some infantry clashes in the region north of Lake Ladoga.

Reconnaissance and bombing by our air force took place, concludes the communiqué.

Kajani Bombed

HELSINGFORS, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—

This morning enemy air craft raided Kajani, terminus of the railway running northwards through the centre of southern Finland.

No details are yet available. Recently, Soviet airmen appear to have been concentrating on bombing hospitals and country churches.

Many places of worship have been burned down as a result of such attacks.

Soviet Attack Resumed

HELSINGFORS, Feb. 5 (UP).—

The Soviet attack was resumed for

Newfoundland Sailors Meet Mrs. Chamberlain

LONDON, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—A party of sailors from Newfoundland, some of many who joined the Royal Navy and who are spending a few days' leave here, had an unexpected meeting with Mrs. Neville Chamberlain this morning.

They were being shown the sights of London by a party of women who had volunteered to act as guides.

When Mrs. Chamberlain heard that the sailors were in Whitehall she came immediately and sat with them.

Party formed two ranks and, as the Prime Minister's wife approached, one of their number called them to attention.

Mrs. Chamberlain spent nearly 20 minutes chatting to the men who heartily cheered her as she stood on the door-step of No. 10 before they left.

IMBROGLIO IN TOKYO POLITICS

TOKYO, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—The Press and public continue to be intrigued by the imbroglio caused by the speech made in the Diet on February 3 by Mr. Takao Saito, veteran member of the Minseitō Party, in which he challenged the Kōmei statement, declaring that if it is rigidly carried out Japan would get nothing out of the war in China.

Attention is centred on the meeting of the Lower House Disciplinary Committee this morning which will decide the action to be taken towards the resolution of non-confidence against Mr. Toshi Koyama, Speaker, for his failure to call Mr. Saito to order.

The resolution of non-confidence is being brought up at to-day's plenary session of the Diet by the Jikyoku, Doshikai and Social Mass Parties and the reformist section of the Seiyukai Party.

the fifth consecutive day in the Sum-

sector in a desperate effort to break the Mannerheim Line where the Finns have so far not yielded, despite the attacks of thousands of well-armed Russians supported by the constant hammering of heavy artillery.

Soviet aviation is constantly active over the Finnish first line of defence but the Finns so far are reported to dominate the bitter battle.

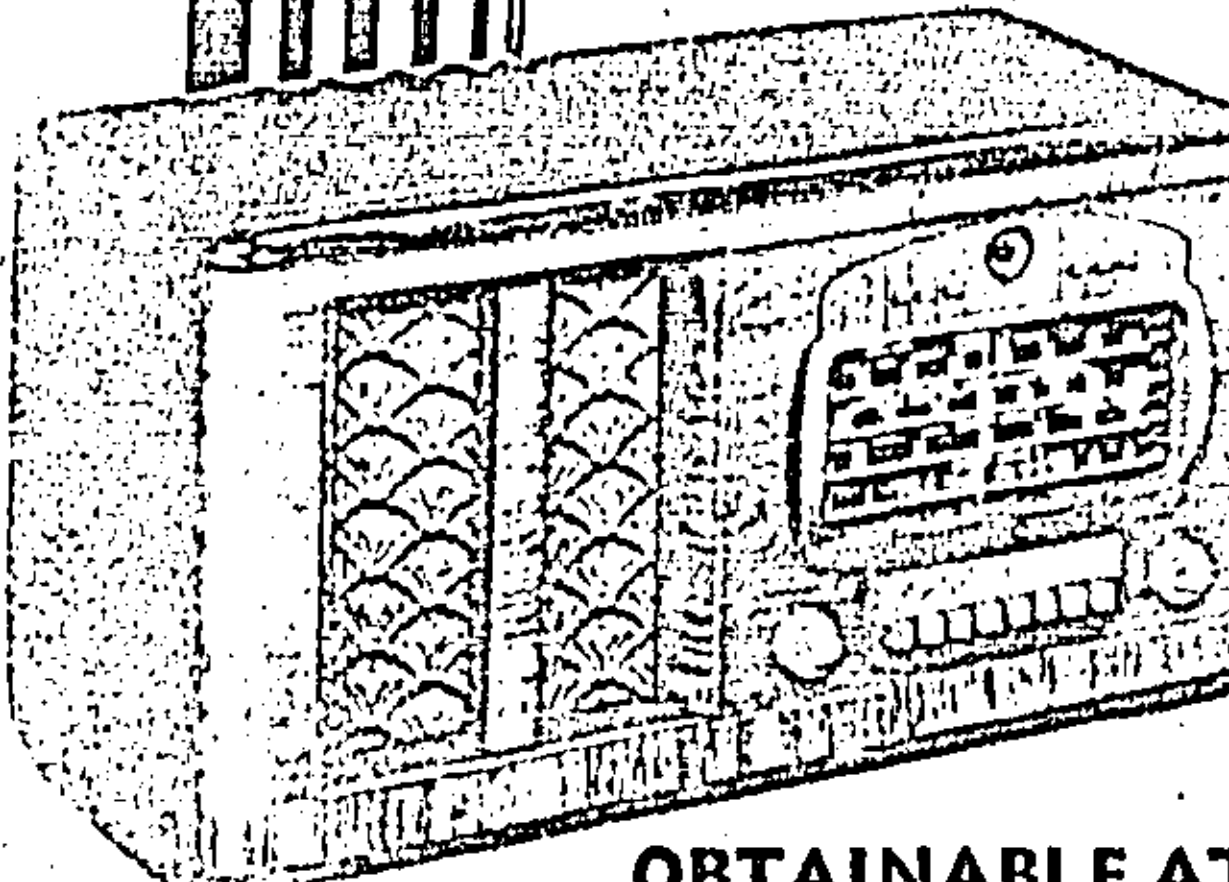
It is stated that the activity north-east of Lake Ladoga is chiefly by fast-moving Finnish ski patrols, who are harassing the Russian lines of supply which have been impeded by cold weather, strong winds and snow.

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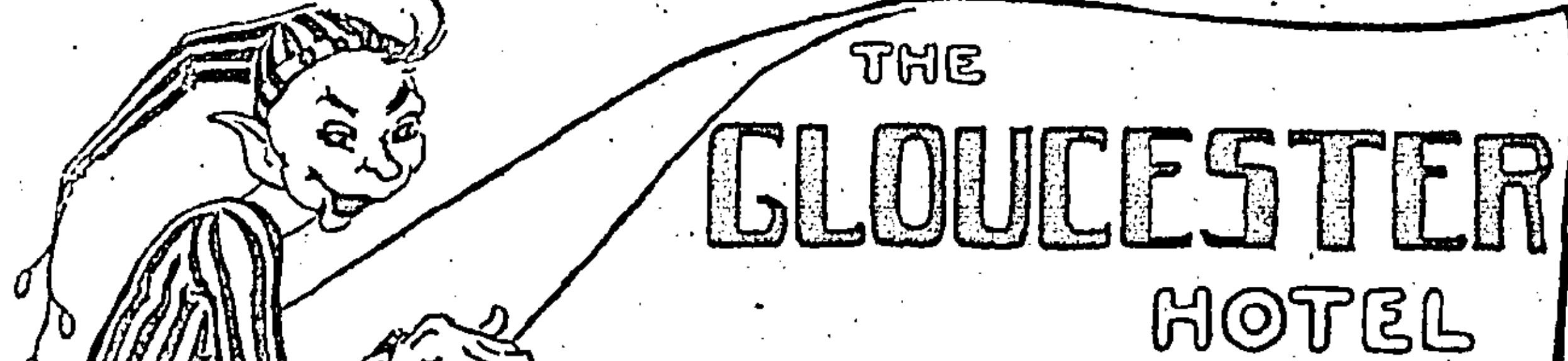


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FOODSTUFF PRICES

Wholesale Rise Very Slightly

Although the retail price of foodstuffs has substantially increased since the outbreak of war, the wholesale prices, according to statistics compiled by the Statistical Office of the Imports and Exports Department, were only slightly in excess of those for 1938.

Wholesale prices for foodstuffs in 1939 were, in fact, lower than they were in 1937.

In these departmental statistics, the prices reigning in 1922 are taken as an average.

This is how wholesale prices have varied:

Price of all Foodstuffs in 1922=100	1922	1927	1932	1937	1939
Beans	100	100	100	100	100
Butter	100	100	100	100	100
Eggs	100	100	100	100	100
Flour	100	100	100	100	100
Wheat	100	100	100	100	100
Lard	100	100	100	100	100
Condensed Milk	100	100	100	100	100
Mutton	100	100	100	100	100
Onions	100	100	100	100	100
Pork	100	100	100	100	100
Poultry	100	100	100	100	100
Butter	100	100	100	100	100
Vegetables	100	100	100	100	100
Average	100	100	100	100	100

EXAGGERATING AS USUAL

LONDON, Feb. 6 (Reuter).—Unofficial circles in London describe as grossly exaggerated the Nazi claims of the sinking of Allied and neutral shipping in the air raids off the English coast.

A German broadcast claims that 150,000 tons of Allied and neutral shipping was sunk between January 21 and 31.

Yesterday Zeecon radio increased the figure to 200,000 tons.

The actual figures of Allied and neutral losses between January 21 and January 28 are 20,000 tons.

The figures of losses from January 29 to February 4 will be issued to-day or to-morrow.

South African Remanded

Ivo Noel, 27, a South African, who denied a charge of aiding and abetting Tam Chuen, 22, in stealing a woollen pullover, shirt and towel, from the Indian married quarters in Jaffe Road on February 5, was remanded for 24 hours when he appeared before Mr. Sheldon at Central Magistracy this morning.

Noel said he had money, as his brother was sending him 100 rupees from Calcutta.

The larceny was admitted by Tam, who was similarly remanded.

Editor Chases Snatch Thief

A snatch-thief who seized a handbag and powder compact from Miss E. Pratt, Nursing Sister at the Kowloon Hospital, as she was walking along Peking Road last night was chased and caught by Mr. N. Stockton, Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph."

The thief ran into a lane when he seized the handbag, but was captured as he was about to turn into Nathan Road. The handbag was recovered.

At the Kowloon Court this morning Wang Lan-sung, 38, pleaded guilty to the offence and was sentenced to three months imprisonment with hard labour and recommended for banishment. Mr. E. Himsforth was on the bench.

Dutch Service In Atlantic

LONDON, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—Plans for the Netherlands Trans-Atlantic Service are now so advanced that the Netherlands Minister in Washington has been instructed to apply for permission to make the necessary arrangements in the United States, reports the "Daily Telegraph."

The service will be established on a weekly basis at first but the ultimate aim is to have daily morning and evening connections with New York.

Sgt. D. Davies, Royal Engineers, residing at No. 14A Block, Kennedy Road, had money and clothing valued at \$180 stolen from his house on Sunday.

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Third Term For Pres. Roosevelt?

Strong Support For His Re-Election

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—

HYDE PARK, Feb. 5 (UP).—

"I am weary of all this speculation regarding the possibility of a third term for myself as President."

"I will disclose my plans at a time of my own choosing."

This statement was made by President Roosevelt to-day, during his weekly Press conference.

President Roosevelt challenged his critics to prove that the country was, as they alleged, becoming insolvent, and offered statistical evidence to prove that national economy had made impressive advances under the New Deal.

Although President Roosevelt himself will not divulge whether he intends to offer himself for the Presidency for a third term, there is no doubt but that his candidacy has been a subject of the meeting of the National Democratic Committee.

Strong Support

The Committee, which met in Washington to-day, has decided to hold the 1942 Convention in Chicago, scene of the 1932 Assembly which nominated Mr. Roosevelt for his first term.

Delegates are apparently solidly behind President Roosevelt.

Mr. H. H. Birmingham, Iowa delegate, said: "There is no second choice for Iowa. We are all behind Mr. Roosevelt for a third term."

Mr. O. Johnston, former Governor of South Carolina, said: "You can't change your horse in mid-stream. We will draft President Roosevelt."

Senator Pepper, "A third term is not a question of politics. It is a matter of national safety."

Comments from most other representatives were overwhelmingly in favour of a third term for President Roosevelt.

Trans-Pacific Air Service

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 (UP).—The new trans-Pacific service which will link New Zealand and Australia with the United States is expected to go into operation within a month or so.

U.S. Government approval for the inauguration of the service is expected shortly.

When this service is inaugurated, Pan American Airways will operate between San Francisco, Honolulu, Suva and Auckland, thus completing a grand circle of Anglo-American air services in the Pacific and Indian Oceans.

It will be possible to travel around this circle by starting out from Honolulu to Hongkong by the existing trans-Pacific route, thence from Hongkong to Australia by Imperial Airways, Australia to New Zealand by Qantas Airways and New Zealand back to Honolulu by Clipper.

Permits Refused To Reporters

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—

LONDON, Feb. 5 (UP).—The "Daily Worker" London organ, the Communist Party, reports on its front page to-day that the British Government has refused to permit its reporters to proceed to Finland or Soviet Russia.

"This cowardly and very significant refusal is an attempt to hide from the British public what is going on in Finland," the paper declares bitterly.

GOOD WORK BY POLICE OFFICER

Entering the residence of Mr. T. S. Morrison, 449 The Peak, early on Sunday morning, thieves stole clothing, jewellery, etc., to the value of \$1,050.

A report was made to the Peak Station about 3 a.m. the same day, and Sub-Inspector C. Baysting, who proceeded to the scene immediately, succeeded in recovering all the property on the hillside near the house.

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The War in China

Conflicting Reports Of Kwangsi Fighting

Conflicting reports regarding the fighting around Pingyang in Kwangsi were received this morning. A "Central News" message stated that several Japanese units have been encircled by the Chinese southwest of Pingyang, while a "Domei" report claims that the extreme right wing of the Japanese forces participating in the pincer movement from Pingyang have reached Shanglin.

"Central News" further adds that the highway between Pingyang and Paitong, which is situated 80 miles north-east of Nanning and 25 miles south-west of Pingyang, is still under Chinese control.

It is also claimed that after the Chinese recapture of Wuling, about 60 miles east of Nanning, the Japanese troops at Linglu have been thrown into a precarious position. They made several attempts to break through the Chinese cordon but were hurled back each time.

Nevertheless a "Domei" report from the Kwangsi front stated that Japanese forces advancing west from Pingyang have reached Shanglin, a town 20 miles north-west of Pingyang.

As the result of this drive, the dispatch adds, over 50,000 Chinese troops had their retreat to the west completely blocked.

In the northern front, Japanese forces pushing westward from Pingyang along the Pingyang-Wuyuan highway are being held in check, according to a Chinese report from Suiyuan.

It is further claimed that a Japanese thrust south of Tsinyang, on the north bank of the Yellow River in North Honan, was crushed last Saturday. Outflanked by the Chinese, the invaders fled abandoning a large quantity of arms and ammunition.

In South Honan, Chinese troops continue to harass the Japanese.

Transports Shelled

Six Japanese transports steaming up the Yangtze River were shelled by Chinese artillery near Tunglu, in south Anhwei, yesterday. Four of the vessels are stated to have received direct hits which caused fires on board.

Guilty Of Manslaughter

Sentence Of Two Years Passed

Guilty of manslaughter was the verdict returned by the Jury this morning at the conclusion of the trial of Hui Fook-sing, cook, on a charge of the murder of Pun Yau-sze, coolie, opposite the Douglas Wharf on October 30.

Passing sentence of two years with hard labour, the Chief Justice, Sir Athol Macgregor, said: "I have listened with great care to all the evidence in this case, particularly with regard to yourself, and the opinion I formed, and now disclose, is the same as that formed by the Jury—that you were in fact the victim and not the aggressor; but the fact remains that you used it in a very dangerous way, and for that I think justice will be met if I pass upon you what in the circumstances may appear to be a very lenient sentence."

His Lordship then thanked the jury for their services and exempted them from service for the rest of the year.

He was defended by Mr. H. W. Lee, instructed by Mr. J. M. d'Almeida Remedios. Mr. T. J. Gould was for the Crown.

Attacked While At Work

Pun met his death as the result of a knife wound during a fight early on the morning of October 30. In his evidence, Hui said he and two companions were carrying four bags of copper coins from the s.s. Seistan where he was employed as cook. After they had gone a few yards from the wharf, they were attacked by seven or eight men. Pun was one of them and it was he who took away the bags.

Hui grappled with Pun and attempted to strike him with a knife. Pun, who carried the knife and accidentally cut Pun. About thirty men then converged on him in a threatening manner and he ran to the wharf.

German Rail Accidents

Latest One Kills Ten People

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—

BERLIN, Feb. 5 (UP).—Germany's amazing series of train disasters and accidents, which have killed several hundred people since the outbreak of war, still continues.

The official D.N.B. news agency discloses to-day that a further ten people have been killed as the result of an accident on an unguarded railway crossing between Ockholt and Clossenburg, near Muenster.

A freight train travelling through Westphalia crashed into a bus which was crossing the lines.

The ten people were killed outright.

This is the second accident of this nature in recent weeks.

Restricting Aliens In Philippines

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—

MANILA, Feb. 6 (UP).—A private Bill has been introduced in the Legislative Assembly, restricting aliens from the management of vessels engaged in the Philippines coastal services and limiting retail trade in the Philippines to Filipinos and Americans.

Foreigners—mostly Chinese—at present control the Philippines coastal shipping.

Foreigners at present engaged in trade would be permitted to continue operations even if the Bill becomes law but they will not be permitted to increase capital or open new branches.

The sponsor of the Bill, G. Vissara, states that the measure is designed principally against the Chinese who control the retail trade of the Philippines.

London Steamer Strikes Mine

LONDON, Feb. 6 (Reuter).—The 1,000-ton London steamer, Portlet, struck a mine and foundered in the North Sea yesterday.

Two were killed by the explosion and nine survivors have been landed at an East Coast town.

Four Lads Rewarded

Given \$2 Each For Their Honesty

"I shall reward you for your good work in helping the police to arrest defendants on the spot," said Mr. Himsforth at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when he rewarded four lads who helped the police to arrest Wong Ching-hong, 18, unemployed, who was charged with unlawfully appropriating \$150 which he found in an envelope near the Star Ferry.

Ho Ying, 30, married woman, mother of Wong was charged with receiving the money.

Sergeant Mackenzie said about 11.30 a.m. yesterday, a shroff of the China Light and Power Company, dropped an envelope containing \$150. Wong picked up the envelope, opened it and found the money. He at once ran home. All this was seen by a few street boys, one of whom followed Wong to his house at 88 Canton Road and saw him give the money to his mother.

Bribe Refused

Later Wong came out of the house and offered to give the lad \$15 if he kept quiet. The lad refused and reported the matter to the police.

Wong was arrested and \$50 was found in his possession. A further \$50 was found in his mother's possession.

Wong was convicted and was bound over for \$50, while Ho was fined \$30 or one month's hard labour.

Defendants' relatives who were in court immediately objected, saying that the lads were lying.

Addressing them, Mr. Himsforth said, "I hear that you have touched any one of these boys, I shall send you to prison."

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8.03 A Spanish Programme with Tito Schipa (Tenor).

Habanera—Dance Espagnole (Pablo de Sarasate)... Rene Benedetti (Violin) with Maurice Fauriol at the Piano; Granada (Albeniz); Cordoba (Albeniz)... Orquesta. Odeon; Nina (Pergolesi, arr. Bourdon); A Little Posy (Tosti)... Tito Schipa (Tenor) with Orchestra; The Lover and the Nightingale... (Granados)... Eileen Joyce (Piano); I Shall Return (Schipa)... Tito Schipa (Tenor) with Orchestra; Tango (Albeniz); Bolero (Juan Llorens); Barnabas Von Gecy & His Orchestra; Spanish Dance (Granados); Kreisler)... Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) with Ferguson Webster at the Piano.

8.40 London Relay—"The Ear of Britain."

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 London Relay—"Cards on the Table."

9.45 Variety with Gracie Fields, Ronald Gourey, John Henry & Others.

Brass Band—Cavalcade of Martial Songs (arr. Nicholson). Punctello (Rimsky)... Elickorshaw.

Band cond. by William Haydock; Vocal—Outside the Old Stage Door (Noel & Others); Old Father Thames (Wallace, O'Hagan); Gracie Fields with Orchestra; Piano Medley—Charlie Kunz.

Time Piano Medley No. D. 31 Intro: Run, Rabbit, Run; I'm sending you the Siegfried Line; Adolf; The Washington on the Siegfried Line; Here we go again; Kiss me good-night; Sergeant Major... Charlie Kunz; Humorous; Joe Margatroyd's Letter (J. Henry); John Henry and "Blossom"; Vocal—Who is This Man?; Vocal—The Night That We Met in (Waltz) The Black-Out (Kester)... Tommy Handley with Piano accomp; Fox-Trots—Don't Worry About Me (from "Cotton Club Parade"); What Goes Up Must Come Down (from "Cotton Club Parade"); Gracie Fields and Her Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Humorous—The Story of the Pled Piper (J. Henry)... John Henry assisted by Gladys Horridge; Piano-Medley Intro: Easter Parade; With every breath I take; His Majesty the Baby; June in January; One good tune to send another; The big bad wolf was dead... Ronald Gourey; Vocal—Just A Catchy Little Tune... (Singer as we go) Love (Singer as we go) Gracie Fields with Orch.; Fox-Trots—You Grow Sweeter As The Years Go By; There's Something Wrong with the Weather... The Organ, The Dance Band and Me, with Vocal Refrain; Vocal—You Needn't Have Kept It A Secret (O'Connor and Others) Goodnight to You All (Denby-Watson)... Morton Downey with Orchestra.

11.0 Close down.

Cost Of Seat Slumps

Lowest Level In 32 Years

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—

NEW YORK, Feb. 5 (UP).—

The cost of becoming a member of the greatly-coveted New York Stock Exchange has slumped to its lowest level in 32 years.

The price, which reached as high as \$550,000 in 1918, slumped yesterday to \$48,000.

To-day's market price for membership is \$45,000 bid and \$54,000 asked.

The 1918 price range was between \$50,000, which was an all-time high, and \$45,000.

If this low level is broken, the price for membership will be the lowest since 1918, one year after the Great War started, when a seat changed hands for \$38,000.

The prices of membership on the Stock Exchange reflect the volume of business done more than they reflect the character of production or distribution of industry.

British Ministers To Broadcast

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—

LONDON, Feb. 6 (UP).—Several interesting broadcasts will be made by Daventry, broadcasting on Empire frequencies to-day and to-morrow.

Captain Anthony Eden, the former Foreign Minister and now Minister for the Dominions, is to broadcast at 3.30 p.m. H.K.T. to-day.

Mr. Oliver Stanley, who recently replaced Mr. Horne-Bellish as War Minister, is to broadcast at 11 p.m. H.K.T. to-morrow.

Electrical recordings of the two speeches will be broadcast at 6.45 p.m. H.K.T. to-morrow, in the case of Captain Eden's speech, and at 4 p.m. H.K.T. on Thursday, in the case of Mr. Stanley's speech.

Shanghai Outside Roads Issue

Police Body To Take Over Control

SHANGHAI, Feb. 6 (Reuter).—

No documents in connection with the Outside Roads issue will be signed by the Municipal Council and the Chinese authorities until the return of Mr. Franklin, who went to Dairen last Saturday, the "China Press" learns.

While it is not yet known whether the Consular Body has approved of the agreement, well-informed circles state that endorsement of the Consuls is a certainty.

The settlement of the problem is said to be based on a joint Police Force. This separate body, to be headed by a Commissioner nominated by the Chinese Municipality, aided by a Deputy appointed by the Settlement authorities, is to take over complete control of the Outside Roads area.

Difficulties To Be Solved

In a leader on the subject, the "China Press" says that although it is learned that both parties have agreed to the formation of a joint Police force, there seem to be many difficulties which are not yet ironed out.

The two major problems are the question of courts on one hand, and on the other hand is the tenuous and unpleasant situation created by the existence of gambling houses, opium houses and smoking dens.

A gold wrist watch, valued at \$120, was lost by Mrs. D. C. Wilson, St. John's Court, between the Queen's Theatre and the Hongkong Hotel yesterday.

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IMMINENT DEPARTURES

By Ernie Bushmiller

NANCY



CHAMPAGNE PARTY

Ninotchka and Count Leon d'Algot fall in love before they know each other's identity. She is in Paris to sell the Duchess Swana's jewels for the Soviet. He is the sweetheart and representative of the Duchess, with an injunction pending to prevent the sale of the jewels. But love finds a way, and they are together when the Duchess discovers them at a night club and tries to lord it over Ninotchka as she would have done in the old Russia. She comes off second best, and Ninotchka takes champagne to wash the taste out of her mouth.

NINOTCHKA

From The Novel By
MELCHIOR LENGYEL
Adaptation By
LEBBEUS MITCHELL

LEON filled their glasses. "Darling," he said "the only thing that will be over on Thursday is the law suit. There will be no Thursday for us—not next week or any week. We won't let it happen. I'll tear it out of the calendar..."

"Wonderful," she breathed, touched by his sincerity, "if one could believe it."

"You must, darling." She lifted her glass. "To the loveliest story I ever heard."

As they drank, the orchestra started to play, and Ninotchka, fearful of the emotional path into which the conversation had strayed, suggested, "shall we dance?"

She had taken but a few steps in the waltz when the effect of the unaccustomed champagne made itself felt. "Oo-oh, darling!" she said tipily. "Something is the matter."

"You just made the trip from goats to grapes a little too quickly."

"Oh, everything is so wonderful! Thursday's getting further and further away."

"Yes, don't worry. Everything will be all right."

"Comrades! comrades!" cried Ninotchka gaily, addressing the crowd on the dance floor.

"Darling! Darling!" besought the embarrassed Leon. "Please!"

"I must talk to my brothers. I am People. I want to make a speech. I want to overthrow the Duchess."

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the bar but a few minutes when the manager of the night club came up to him in great excitement.

"I'm very sorry, Count d'Algot, it is most embarrassing, but the lady you brought with you is spreading communist propaganda in the powder room."

Leon stared, then ordered another double brandy. "What can I do about it?"

"She's inciting the attendants to go on strike. She has been asked to leave, without success. We would appreciate it if you would see to it yourself."

"You want me to go in there?" "I'm sorry, but I must insist that you get her out."

IT was some hours later that Leon and Ninotchka, both very tipsy, entered the Royal Suite at the Hotel Clarence.

Leon carried a bottle of champagne with a napkin about it. They reached a couch and sank down on it. Ninotchka moved up close to Leon.

"Are we going to build our little house?" she asked happily. "Yes, a little white house."

"Not white darling. Don't let's have any colour. No colour... Just a house. Let's form our own party."

"Right! Lovers of the world, unite!"

"And we won't stretch up our arms and clench our fists."

"No, no."

"And our salute will be a kiss, won't it, Leon?"

"Yes, a kiss... Salute!"

She sank into his arms and kissed him, murmuring: "I am so happy. No one can be so happy without being punished. I will be punished and I should be punished."

She got up suddenly. "I want to confess, darling."

"I know. It's the Russian soul. I am a traitor. When I kissed you I betrayed the Russian ideal. Leon, stand me up against the wall."

"All right, if that'll make you happier." He led her to one end of the room, still lugging the champagne bottle, stood her against the wall, covered her eyes with the napkin from the bottle. Then he walked away, starting to extract the cork.

There was a sudden pop, and Ninotchka sank into a chair, saying happily: "I have paid the penalty. Now let's have some music."

"Let's turn on the radio," he suggested.

"It's a little box, with a little knob you turn."

She started to hunt, repeating, "Little knob... little knob." Ended up in front of the safe. She opened the concealing door and saw the safe's dial. "Here it is!"

"What shall we get?" she asked. "The news?"

"No. We don't want to know what's going on. We want to be left alone, don't we?"

"Yes, sweetheart... all by ourselves."

"Well then," she said, memory coming to her vaguely, "turn twice to the right and stop at seven."



belong to the same party. Salute!"

They embraced again, and she said with vague happiness: "Now twice to the left and stop at seven."

He followed instructions and they found themselves staring into the open safe. "No music," she said, disappointed. "There they are. They are terrible things, those jewels."

"But big," he said. "They are the tears of old Russia. See that one?"

"Who cried that one?"

"Czar Peter gave it to his wife. For it he sold 10,000 serfs."

"Don't say that, darling. Some day when I come home to you I may say, 'Darling, I drove Gaston to the market and look what I got for him!'"

He took from the jewels in the safe a beautiful diamond and held it in front of her. "Come, sweetheart, let me put it on you. You will teach those jewels. For the first time they will learn how they look."

"They belong to the People." In a very ceremonial voice he said: "I give them back to the people... I make you Ninotchka the Great. Grand Duchess of the People!"

He placed the diamond fumblingly on her head. "Is this the wish of the masses?" she asked, falling in with his imaginings.

"It is their wish."

"Thank you, Leon. Thank you, masses." Then low to Leon: "Can I make a speech now?"

"Please do."

Swedish Exports Diverted

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—A conference between Swedish and Norwegian State Railway representatives at Ostersund is reported to have agreed to the diverting of Swedish exports from Baltic to Norwegian ports.

At the time when Germany first seized Swedish cargoes and pulp, certain Swedish producers took steps to ensure warehouse accommodation in Norwegian ports with the view to such diversion.

Reich Not Sending Arms To Russia

BERLIN, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—Official circles scoff at reports made that Germany is sending arms and munitions to Soviet Russia.

"Such stories are unfounded nonsense," is the official comment.

NINOTCHKA stood up unsteadily. "Comrades! People of the World! The revolution is on the march. Wars will wash over us."

She smiled charmingly. "Smile, little father, smile." The photograph seemed to her to smile, and she closed her eyes.

"We are happy, aren't we, Leon?"

"Yes, sweetheart. Very happy." His arms supported her as she sank blissfully into a chair.

"So happy and... so... tired," she murmured, and fell asleep.

He gathered her in his arms, the diadem still on her head, and carried her into the bedroom, putting her gently down on the bed. Kissing her once more, he stole with

OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"Captured" (Oriental, to-morrow): Not in any way meant as propaganda, but just the plain, straight-forward story of the brutality and horrors of a German prison camp. This, in a nutshell, is "Captured," the latest Warner Bros. war picture to be shown on the local screen. The film will be shown at the Oriental and

Theatre at their ordinary popular film prices! When the Studio executives decided to make this picture, they were

enterprising enough to get into touch with Sir Philip Gibbs, author of "Fellow Prisoners," from which the film was adapted, and the executives then went one better and filmed the picture exactly as it was related by Sir Philip.

We have all heard or read a lot about Nazi brutality. We have seen some

excellent war pictures. Some of us have even had the misfortune of having suffered first hand from Nazism, but all this will pale into insignificance when compared with "Captured."

It is the picture of the century and the management of the Oriental Theatre must be congratulated upon securing such a "timely film" for the public of Hongkong. Further recommendation, if indeed such is necessary, is that the leading roles played by Leslie Howard, Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., and Margaret Lindsay.

"Hardy's Ride High" (Queen's and Alhambra): In this episode the now celebrated American family fall heir to a fortune, with strange effects on each member. One of the funniest sequences shows Mickey Rooney in a night club, registering all emotions from astonishment and incredulity to adolescent joy.

"They Made Me a Criminal" (King's): John Garfield, rising movie actor, in a story about a pugilist suspected of murder and believed to have been killed in a car accident. A fruit search in the West provides opportunity for his regeneration. Also in the cast are the "Dead End" kids, May Robson, Claude Rains and Gloria Dickson.

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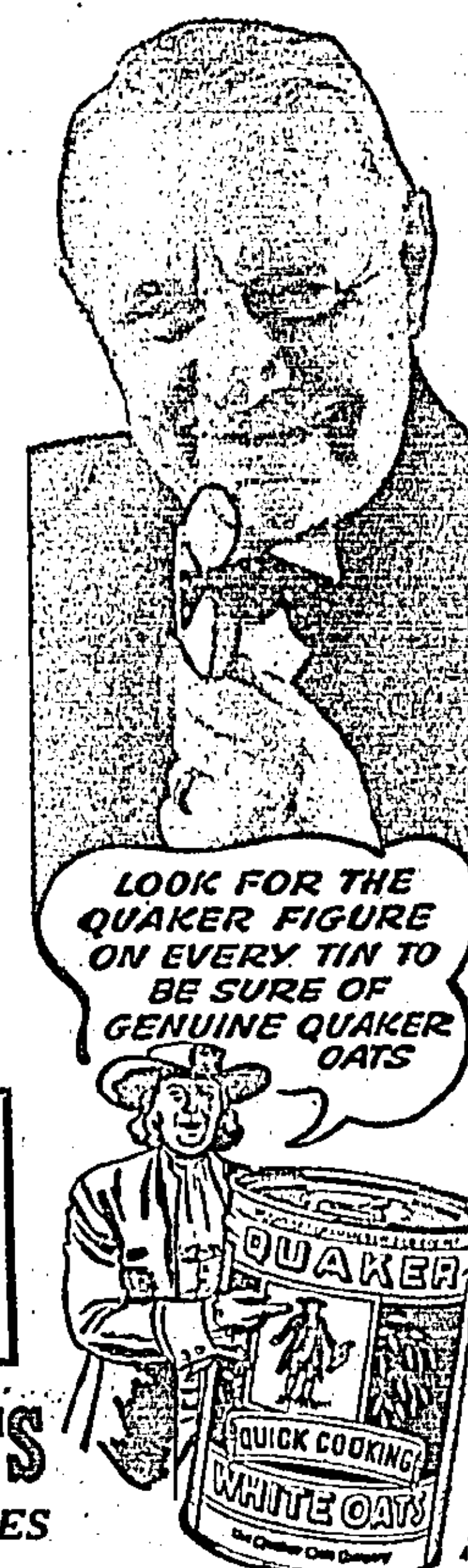
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Injured Boys Flown To Hospital

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—After two days of battling against merciless snow storms in an Army transport plane, two injured C.C.C. boys from Arizona are now undergoing medical treatment here. One, a boy of 19, is suffering from a broken back. The other, a kid of 17 years, has a broken arm and shoulder, received in a lorry accident on Christmas Day.

When they did not respond to treatment at the camp it was decided to bring them here by air but snow storms sprang up, and the plane had to come down at Salt Lake City for a

More Unemployed Last Month

LONDON, Feb. 5 (Reuter).—The number of unemployed on the registers on January 15 showed an increase of over 157,000 compared with December 11 last.

Over 139,000 of the increase are accounted for by the fact that industries were adversely affected by frost and snow.

while. They landed at Hamilton Field on Sunday and were rushed by Army Ambulance across San Francisco Bay bridge to the military hospital.

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Dutch Oil Tanker Limp To Port After Explosion

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

THE HAGUE, Feb. 6 (UP).—The 8,069-ton oil tanker Ceronia, which was only recently launched and placed into service, has been mined off the south coast of England.

LATE NEWS

(Continued from Page 1.)

5.30 p.m. at the hospital. Parkinson had three injuries on his head—a scalp wound, a cut on the right side of the chin and a swelling over the left side of the forehead.

Blood On Clothes
There was blood on Parkinson's face, coat and trousers. He smelt of alcohol.

In answer to a question by Mr. Whyatt, witness said that Parkinson did not smell strongly of alcohol but he could smell it during his examination. Parkinson's speech was quite distinct but rather abrupt.

"I asked what had happened," continued witness, "but Parkinson would not give me any particulars. Maybe he would not or could not tell. I put various questions to him and he gave very short answers. Parkinson responded to the examination quite readily."

Gait Quite Steady
"Some urine was passed into a container and subsequently sent to the Government Analyst for examination."

"A certificate of results showed that 110 milligrams of alcohol were present per 100 c.c. of urine. Parkinson's walk or gait was quite steady."

"I also examined the pupils of his eyes and they appeared normal. Other muscular movements were quite good."

By Mr. Williams: "I feel that at the time of the examination Parkinson was able to handle a car with safety under ordinary conditions."

Witness added that Parkinson had refused to be examined for further injuries and left the hospital.

"The only conclusion I could come to was that he must have consumed some alcohol," said witness.

Clerk's Evidence
Lee Kai-sun, clerk, of 14 Bonham Road, gave evidence.

He said that at about 4 p.m. on December 23, he heard a noise that sounded like a collision and ran out of his house.

"I saw a car on the footpath. Near the car I saw an injured child, leaning against the wall."

"I ran down and saw a European. There was blood on his face. I also saw a Chinese with blood on his coat."

"When I saw the European I spoke to him in English. He appeared to be very stupid and said nothing."

"I then returned to the house and telephoned the No. 8 police station."

"When I returned to the scene I saw the European walking in an easterly direction. I then saw that my car was also damaged."

Defendant told the Court that his car was parked nearby.

Surrender Of H.K. Germans

TOKYO, Feb. 6 (Reuter).—In an actuated desire to reach an amicable settlement, the British Government in a Note yesterday agreed to surrender to Japan nine of the Germans who were aboard the Asama Maru. The date and place will be mutually agreed upon.

The Foreign Minister, Mr. Arita, informed the Diet that the Japanese Government was not satisfied with the partial surrender of the Germans and would continue to demand the delivery of the other twelve.

The owners of the vessels are the Crown Petroleum Company, a subsidiary of the Shell and Royal Dutch Petroleum companies.

In a message to the owners, the captain of the Ceronia states that the explosion occurred amidsthips early this morning.

The ship was badly damaged, but her hullheads are holding and she is still afloat.

She is proceeding slowly to Rotterdam.

Chinese In Crew

There were no casualties among the members of the crew. They include 14 Dutch officers and men and 39 Chinese.

The Crown Petroleum Company ("La Carona") owns a fleet of some 50 oil tankers, all of which are powered by Diesel engines.

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